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REICHSTAG CONVENED AS CHANCELLOR CALLS IN GERMAN AND NEUTRAL MINISTERS!

DEMOBILISATION OF ALL GREEK FORCES IS ALLIES' DEMAND

Restoration of Communications to Entente and Release of Venizelists

POSITION IMPROVES

King Offers to Withdraw Three Regiments From Duty at Thessaly

DENIES HOSTILITY

Cretan Resolution Dethrones Constantine, Labelling Him a Traitor

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 11.—Reuter's Agency learns that the demands made by the Allies to Greece probably include complete demobilisation, the restoration of Allied control of the posts, telegraphs and railways and the release of imprisoned Venizelists.

Athens, December 10.—While the Government announces that the situation has improved, diplomatists are reserved on the subject. It is stated that a friendly spirit prevailed at an audience given by the King to the British Minister, Sir Francis Elliot and the Russian Minister, M. Demidoff.

His Majesty denied hostile intentions and offered to withdraw three regiments from Thessaly and to entrust French destroyers with the guarding of the Corinth Canal and the Chalcis bridges.

Canea, December 10.—At a meeting of the whole population, a resolution was passed, dethroning Constantine and cursing him as a traitor to the Greek nation. The Greek troops present tore off their badges.

Entente Governments Are All Remodelling

France and Italy Follow Britain And Russia In Effort At Speeding-Up

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Paris, December 11.—Remodelling is proceeding in all the Entente Governments, with a view to greater swiftness and uniformity in the conduct of the war.

The French Premier, M. Briand, is conferring with politicians and men distinguished in industry and commerce. It is stated that he intends to dispense with all the old administrative staffs and changes in the Higher Command are expected soon.

The intention is to re-organise vigorously administratively, economically and militarily and thus counter the enemy's efforts.

Rome, December 11.—Changes with a view to greater speeding-up in economic and military matters are imminent. A war committee is being formed and the Ministry is to be reduced.

U.S. SOLICITOR-GENERAL OPPOSES PEACE MOVE

Says No Neutral Is Entitled To Dictate Terms to Belligerent Nations

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

New York, December 10.—Speaking at a dinner of the Pennsylvania Society, Mr. John W. Davis, the Solicitor-General, threw cold water on peace advocates by declaring that peace proposals at the present moment would be brutal, impertinent and useless. Neither the United States nor any other country is entitled to dictate the terms on which the belligerents should compose their differences.

Strikes Hard To Save Rumanians

General Brussiloff

Russia will save Rumania from the Teuton menace this autumn and winter, according to an interview with General Brussiloff, the Russian leader, published in the London Times. General Brussiloff told the correspondent that Russia will have the strongest army this winter it has ever had, and that Rumania may rely upon her big Slav brother to protect her. He declared that all of the Russians feel that they owe it to their gallant little ally to save her from the fate of Servia. That Brussiloff was in earnest is shown by the hard blows he is striking in the Carpathians.

Book on Shanghai By Mrs. F. D. Gamewell Published in America

Slowly but surely Shanghai is coming into her own. The latest place in which the recognition which is her due has been accorded is that little city which also carries quite a trade —New York, U.S.A.

The recognition has taken the form of a book—a book on nothing but Shanghai! And as it is issued by the Fleming H. Revell Co., of New York, Chicago and Toronto, there must be a few of the hundred odd million Americans in America who now know of our existence as a Settlement.

The book is by Mary Ninde Gamewell, wife of Rev. F. D. Gamewell, of the Methodist Episcopal Mission, and it is addressed "To my Husband." It is entitled "The Gateway to China" and while we reserve our review for our Book Page, it is only fair to say right away that it has all the appearance—and such is usually fairly evident to the newspaper man—of being a most interesting volume. There are over a dozen excellent illustrations and the reading matter extends over fifteen chapters, dealing mostly with the Chinese features which have appealed to the authoress and concluding with "A page from the Story of the Protestant Missions."

The cover to the book states that "Mrs. Gamewell has contrived to catch and hold in her pages the colorful panorama of the gateway to China and furnishes her readers with a diverting and informative description of its origin, manners, customs, people, politics and enterprises."

The book came to us from the publishers in yesterday's mail.

The Weather

Regular or fresh monsoon on the coast. The maximum temperature recorded yesterday was 52.3 and the minimum 33.5, the figures for the corresponding day last year being respectively 62.6 and 42.8.

KALARASH IS SEIZED BY BULGARS; CHECK IS GIVEN TO MACKENSEN

Russians Attack Strongly In Carpathians, Without Success, Says Berlin

BRIDGES ARE DESTROYED

Driven Back on Ploesti-Mizion Road, Rumanians Recover Positions Again

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 11.—A Bulgarian official communique reports: We captured the town of Kalarash and the bridge-head on the left bank of the Danube, opposite Czernavoda.

A German official communique reports: "The Russians again strongly attacked in the wooded Carpathians and on both sides of Trotus Pass, without success. General von Mackensen's pursuing army is finding resistance at some points."

The communique speaks of heavy rain soaking the ground and also says that the Rumanians have destroyed the bridges.

Petrograd, December 11.—An official communique issued today reports: The enemy pressed the Rumanians back along the high road from Ploesti to Mizion, but the Rumanians made a counter-attack and restored their positions. The battle is proceeding.

An atttack made by the enemy at Kirlibaba failed. The enemy are stubbornly resisting in the region of Valeputna and in Trotus Valley. There is deep snow and frost on the whole mountain front.

Jassy, December 10.—Prior to the loss of Bukharest, the Government appointed pro-Germans to the most responsible positions, with a view to safeguarding the city.

Say Mackensen Accorded An Ovation in Bukharest

(Ostasiatische Lloyd War Service)

Official German telegram.—Headquarters, December 10.—In Great Wallachia, rapid progress is being made, in spite of the rainy weather. A renewed strong attack of the Entente troops in the Czerna bend was sanguinarily repulsed.

The defense of the fortress of Bukharest broke down under the steadily increasing pressure of our armies. Bukharest is now in the hands of the German, Austro-Hungarian, Bulgarian, and Turkish troops.

Early in the morning of December 6, several of the outer lines had been taken by storm. Bavarian troops were the first who victoriously entered the Rumanian capital.

Desperate attempts to delay the fall of the fortress remained fruitless. In spite of the Russian discharging offensive on the whole Carpathian front and in the Dobrudja and in spite of the very strong Russian forces fighting south of Bukharest itself, the capital was drawn into the breakdown of the Rumanian army, which had been defeated in Wallachia.

At 10.30 in the morning, Captain Lange, of the General Staff, bearing the flag of truce, was sent to Bukharest by Field Marshal von Mackensen with a letter demanding the surrender of the fortress. The letter notified the Commander that fire would be opened against the fortress if the bearer of the letter had not returned within 24 hours.

Deny City Is Fortress

Captain Lange, who, at the Rumanian outpost-chain, was received by a General and conducted blindfolded to Bukharest in an automobile, returned before the time given had expired. The Chief Commander of the Rumanian Danube army had refused to accept the letter of Field Marshal von Mackensen, pretending that Bukharest was not a fortress, but an open town, that there were neither armed forts nor troops destined for its defense and there was neither a Government nor a Commander in the place.

Captain Lange referred to the quality of Bukharest as a fortress and emphasised that such an evasive answer would not hamper the German operations. In the morning, parts of the cavalry corps Schvettov occupied one fort on the northern front and parts of the 54th army corps pressed forward and captured the fort line

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WU TING-FANG DRAWS UP MODIFIED PROPOSAL ON LAOHSIKAI AFFAIR

New Terms Cabled to Paris For Consideration; Conference Temporarily Held Up

DEBATE INTERNAL AFFAIRS

President Summons Important Meeting for Today; Hsu Shih-chang to Attend

Ostasiatische Lloyd

Peking, December 12.—Last Saturday, Wu Ting-fang, Minister for Foreign Affairs, submitted to Count de Martel, French Charge d'Affaires, some modified counter-proposals about Laohsikai. The proposals have been wired to Paris, thus causing a temporary delay in the negotiations.

An important political conference about the internal situation will be held in the Presidential Palace tomorrow. Besides the members of the Cabinet, Hsu Shih-chang, former Secretary of State, will attend.

The representatives of the neutral parties have requested the chairman of the constitutional conference to temporarily postpone the meetings of the conference.

The appointment of Hsiung Hsi-ling as special envoy to Japan has not been sanctioned by Parliament, because, while in Jehol, he showed an anti-Japanese attitude. Chang Tsoong-hsiang, Chinese Minister to Tokio, will probably hand the Mikado the Chinese decoration.

Dr. Wu Urges Caution

Japanese cables state:

General Chang Tso-lin, the military Governor of Mukden, has received a telegram from Dr. Wu Ting-fang, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, to the following effect:—

"Japan desires to have an amicable settlement of the affairs of Chenchiatung and there is a necessity to effect the most friendly relations between China and Japan, therefore it is not for the interest of China in general to have any rash act to cause a storm in still water."

Upon receipt of the telegram, General Chang Tso-lin commenced a very strict control of the Citizens' Association and also has given his officials very strict instructions to control the young students who are causing much discussion in connection with the affair.

Parties Seeking Trouble

With regard to the selection of the Chinese envoy to Japan there has been violent opposition in both Houses of Parliament in Peking. There is reason to presume that it is being used as a means of political disputes, the same as the proposed engagement of Lieutenant General Aoki and the loan question of the Koakoshi, and it is agreed in Japan that the Japanese Government should quietly stand by without expressing any views about the selection of an envoy so as to avoid being led into the political turmoil of China.

The question of appointing Hsiung Hsi-ling as the special envoy to Japan is at standstill and, unless either Hsu Shi-chang or Tong Shao-yi are selected as the envoy, Parliament will not pass it, and if either one of them is appointed it will be after Tuan Chi-jui resigns his post as the Premier.

Party disputes in Parliament have become very serious, the Parliamentarians are placing more importance on their own party than the state and the mistakes of the first Parliament are being repeated. The people in Peking are beginning to be disgusted with parliamentary politics.

Britain to Go Dry Is Latest Opinion

Expect Veto on Spirits Consumption; Stocks for Munition Purposes

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London December 12.—Drastic regulations concerning the sale of liquor are foreshadowed. It is understood that the general policy will be towards the entire veto of the consumption of spirits. The Government will take over the enormous stocks for munition purposes.

President Attends Christening

New Snapshot of President and Mrs. Wilson

President and Mrs. Wilson were snapped in an automobile at Williamstown, Mass., where they attended the christening of the President's grandchild, Eleanor Anson Sayre, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis B. Sayre. This picture was made the day after it became certain that the President has been re-elected.

Italian Astor House Fete Makes Big First Night Hit; Expect Five-Figure Profit

Everybody was happy at the Astor House Hotel last night: nobody, in fact, could have been otherwise. The occasion? There is little need to mention that it was the Italian Fete but that was what was on and a glorious evening of festivity was the result.

The organisers may well be pleased ladies and gentlemen today for last night the labors of many anxious and trying hours were rewarded with the biggest of successes.

The Fete was action from the word "Go." And the artists one and all were as delighted in their work as were the various audiences in their performance of it. So congratulations all around are the order of the day and where it is difficult to seize on any names for special mention from among the scores who were prominent all will agree that Mr. R. de Luca, as one of the chief of those "behind the scenes," should receive a big measure of thanks. All along he threw himself heart and soul into the hard work which so often passes unnoticed at the actual production and he was a tired man when the curtain was rung up on the first part of a busy night.

To begin with there was a huge "house," and so the artists could lay no complaint on that score. All the Italian community was there, while the French were also very strongly represented. It was a Continental gathering with the Germans excluded and the British element taking their place.

The halls and supper-room had been tastily decorated, with the red, white and green colors of Italy conspicuous but with those of the Allies also well on show and what with Neapolitan fishermen, French and Italian soldiers, and prettily uniformed program-sellers, etc., the color scheme was a dazzling and attractive one. The fairest of Shanghai's fair and the monied of Shanghai's aristocrats were there, both with one object in view—the gathering of good, hard dollars and nice soft bills for the Italian Red Cross and if that institution does not benefit to the extent of five figures in Mex. then there must be something wrong with the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

But to the show itself! It would require columns and columns adequately and faithfully to go over the items. Part one saw the Misses Denegri score a big hit in their "Furlana"—an Italian dance arranged by Professor Montes. Both girls are excellent dancers and they had evidently given considerable time and taken much trouble in preparing for their last night's dance. They went through the many steps of an intricate dance in very appealing unison and were rewarded with round after round of applause. The "boy" of the two naturally appealed to the eye of the sterner sex but both were beautifully costumed. The gavotte by Miss Varalda—also arranged by Professor Montes—was another of the successes of the opening part of the entertainment. It was charmingly arranged and the youthful artiste displayed little hesitation in her arduous task. She, also, made a very piquant miss with her coquettish fan and old-style dress.

Mr. E. Papini delighted his hearers in that noteworthy speech of Othello's: "Most potent, grave, and reverend signors" from scene 8 of the first act, and Shakespeare was brilliantly treated. Messrs. G. B. Stormes, de Fourcauld and M. Speelman were all happy in their respective work. The first-mentioned has a reputation to maintain and last night he worthily up-held it in "When Paderewsky plays" and "Old Ditties Re-dished," the latter being given in the second part.

But the second part honors went to the little Misses Stephen who fairly captivated the house in their "Cat and Dog" dance. The kennel was scarcely large enough but it did not come in for the dance any way and the winning cat and dog danced their way right cheerily into all hearts.

The Misses Rouet de Journel also proved themselves capable performers in Danish peasant dances—in fact, dancing was the strong point of the whole pleasing entertainment. Mrs. Isenman and Mr. V. Meyer were both in excellent voice and Mr. Carpi in his "Equilibrium" act set the whole of the second part going with a swing.

"Le Reve Passe"—one of the inspiring war songs of the country which leads the world in war songs with "The Marseillaise"—was magnificently staged, and Mr. Pardon and his colleagues are to be congratulated on what was undoubtedly

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EVIDENCE GERMANY IS READY TO MAKE REAL PEACE OFFER

Members of Reichstag At Front Are Called To Berlin

SENSATIONAL NEWS

Vienna, Sofia and Constantinople Parties In Conference

HISTORIC MEETING

Taken to be Outcome Of Success on Rumanian Front

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Amsterdam, December 11.—A sitting of the Reichstag has been unexpectedly convened for tomorrow. It will be the most remarkable since the outbreak of war and of historical importance. The members of the Reichstag, including those fighting at the front, have been summoned by telegraph.

The Imperial German Chancellor Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, from headquarters, has received the Federal Ministers and has invited the Ministers of neutral countries to meet him. The Secretary for Foreign Affairs has received the party leaders.

Party meetings in the forenoon in Vienna, Sofia and Constantinople approved the Chancellor's statement, the nature of which, at present, is not known, but which is assumed to relate to peace terms.

The unprecedented step of calling in the Ministers of the neutral countries is evidently an effort by Germany to take advantage of the successes in Rumania to re-open the question of peace. Color is lent to this by the fact that the Secretary for Foreign Affairs, before the sitting of the Reichstag, will convey confidential information to the party leaders, when he is supposed to point out the political consequences of the operations in Rumania.

Winter Bank Holidays Not General Vacation

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 11.—December 23 and January 1 are proclaimed as Bank Holidays, but not as general holidays.

Mail Notices

MAILS CLOSE

For Japan:—
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Kasuga M. Dec. 14
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Omi Maru Dec. 15
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Chikugo M. Dec. 19
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Kumano M. Dec. 21

For U.S., Canada, and Europe:—
Per P.M. s.s. Venezuela Dec. 14
Per T.K.K. s.s. Siberia M. Dec. 16
Per T.K.K. s.s. Tenyo M. Dec. 22
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Tamba M. Dec. 24
Per R.M. s.s. E. of Russia Dec. 30

For Europe:—
Per M.M. s.s. Amazone Dec. 14
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Kamo M. Dec. 23
Per P. & O. s.s. Novara Dec. 25
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Kashima M. Dec. 31

Mails to Arrive:—

The English mail of November 2 left Hongkong on Monday, and is due here tomorrow, per P. and O. s.s. Novara.

The French mail of November 12 was due at Saigon yesterday, and here on Saturday, December 23. Left Singapore on December 10, per M.M. s.s. Armand Behic.

The French mail of November 29 is due at Hongkong on January 4, and here on January 8. Left Marseilles on November 29, per M.M. s.s. Porthos.

BULGARS CLAIM BEAT OFF ALLIED ATTACKS

Servians, in Violent Local Infantry Actions, Secure Large Number of Prisoners

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 11.—The Bulgarians claim that they repulsed attacks north-west of Monastir, in the Czerna bend and British attacks south of Seres.

A Servian official communique reports violent local infantry actions, in which a fairly large number of the enemy were taken prisoners.

News Brevities

Mr. H. von Heidenstam, Engineer-in-Chief to the Whangpoo Conservancy Board, has returned to Shanghai from a short trip to Sweden.

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Chinese papers report that President Li Yuan-hung has wired to Tong Shao-yi, asking him to tell both Li Lieh-chun and Chen Kwei-min to come to Peking at an early date. The President has also sent Hsu Fu-su to Shanghai to ask Liang Chi-chiao to come to Peking.

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The fall of water in the Yangtsze River this year is more than in former years and the navigation of the Yangtsze above Kiukiang at night has become very dangerous. The steamers from Hankow to Shanghai will leave Hankow at 11 a.m. from December 15.

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The S. F. B. had an hour's hard work from six to seven o'clock yesterday morning near the corner of Kiangse and Canton Roads. The fire was very difficult to get at and burnt with unusual fierceness, so much so that eventually eight jets were found necessary to extinguish the conflagration, which kept breaking out into strong flame in different parts of the upper floor. The place was a Japanese sundries store, and it was nearly an hour before the Brigade were able to relax their efforts, and any hose could be taken up. The fire was practically confined to the building in which it originated (No. B. 230) and as far as can be gathered the premises are heavily insured (Tls. 26,000). The upper portion of the building was very badly damaged, whilst the ground floor was also affected by smoke, fire and water. The next building on the right (No. 229, an empty house) was slightly damaged as also was No. 228. This fire was only two doors away from the scene of the fire on November 27.

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From an advertisement in our columns, the Director of Public Works of the Government of the Philippine Islands gives notice of sale of motor transportation equipment. Particulars will be found on page 12.

Shipping Bulletins

Vessels from Antung report that owing to the sudden fall of the mercury, there appeared a great number of ice floes drifting on the Yalu River and the sailing of vessels has been made impossible.

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The Railway Wharf Authorities of Dalny are now racking their brains as to how to obtain the absolutely necessary supply of water for vessels on Dalny wharves. Some steamers have been compelled to postpone their intended sailings on account of the short supply of water. We learn that the Wharf Authorities have sent circular notes to the shipping firms and agents of Dalny, asking them to instruct their vessels to replenish their water supply as far as possible elsewhere than at Dalny.

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The s.s. Europa Maru, 4,700 tons, was sold to a Kobe concern at the price of Yen 1,450,000, which figures represent over Yen 300 per ton. The owner of the vessel had bought the Europa Maru a few months ago, and on selling it to the Kobe concern, realised a profit of Yen 400,000.

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The O. S. K. cargo-boat Pekin Maru is at present on a voyage to Batavia and Java, her cargo consisting of 4,000 tons of Fushun coal. She has given up her original plan to load sugar there as return cargo, and will proceed therefrom to Christmas Island for the purpose of loading phosphatic ore.

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The Kawasaki Dockyard, Dalny, has many ships in hand. The s.s. Unkai Maru is having her bottom repainted, and will be followed immediately by the Chingkee Co.'s s.s. Sanglee and Yunglee. The Shanghai steamer Isshin Maru is also in dock.

ASQUITH IS ILL

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 12.—Mr. Asquith is laid up with influenza.

$105,000,000 Each Day Cost of Europe's War

New York, November 5.—The European war now is costing its participants $105,000,000 (Gold) every day, according to a brochure issued yesterday by the Mechanics' and Metals' National Bank.

Since 1914 the indebtedness of the seven principal nations engaged has been increased from $27,000,000,000 to $75,000,000,000.

The most costly war previous to this was our Civil War, which ate up $8,000,000,000.

If the war should end in 1917, interest on the combined debt of the nations will amount to $3,800,000,000 yearly. England is spending the most money, France next, Germany third and Russia least.

BELGIANS WILL REFUSE TO PAY A BIGGER LEVY

Councils Decide to Ignore Call For Further Ten Million Francs Monthly

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Havre, December 11.—A conference of Belgian provincial councils has refused General von Bissing's demand to increase the monthly levy from Fcs. 40,000,000 to Fcs. 50,000,000.

Brussels Military Works Bombarded

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Amsterdam, December 11.—The Telegraaf states that British aeroplanes have penetrated far into Belgium and pelted with bombs important military works at Brussels and elsewhere. Railway traffic was impeded. They were also observed going towards Zeebrugge, where they were violently shelled by anti-aircraft guns.

British India Tanfield Believed to Be Sunk

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 11.—The British India s.s. Tanfield is believed to have been sunk.

The British steamer Forth, the Norwegian steamer Amicitia (1,111 tons), the Spanish steamer Bravo (1,214 tons) and the Danish steamer Nora (772 tons) have been sunk.

Italian Astor House Fete is a Big Hit

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the success of what might be termed the stronger part of the bill of fare. We shall not give the story of "Le Reve Passe" away—it is too good to be missed and those who see it will not count the two dollars mis-spent on coming away tonight. Dancing was featured by Miss Jouravel in "La Boheme" and Professor Montes himself in Spanish dances. Mr. A. Stewart gave a wonderful one string violin performance of "The Blind Boy" while Madame Thue's glorious voice was at its best—and audiences know no better in Shanghai—in Italian national hymns in which she received splendid support from the chorus of Neapolitan fishermen in picturesque costume.

So much for the program proper. Side-shows there were no less entertaining. Under the talented direction of Mrs. R. N. Macleod two performances of "Tableaux Vivants" were given upstairs while the "Aunt Sallie" was under the genial and money-winning management of Mrs. F. Ayscough, who was so directly responsible for the success of "Nurseryland" and who did even more than "her bit" again last night. An exhibition of British War Posters, lent by Mr. A. E. Blanco, was generally admired while the Kin Kee Glee Club had an excellent Chinese Variety Entertainment.

Nor let us forget the most enjoyable program which was successfully carried out in the supper-room where a special stage had been erected. There were three items and all were worthy the classification of "headliners." Madame Thue carried the roomful with her in her wide range of voice. Many times has it been written that this talented artiste was at her best: well, last night, she excelled her own high standards. The Greek dances in costume were very attractive and the Misses Agassiz, Coquelle, Newcomb, E. and H. Newcomb, and Valentine were enthusiastically applauded. The white costumes and red—was it ribbon?—were very pretty and the sextette danced very gracefully together. The Misses Rouet de Journel were as happy in their character dances as in their Danish peasant dances.

Professor Papini's Band discoursed pleasing strains during the intervals.

Kalarash is Seized; Check to Mackensen

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from Caiju on the western side to Odailu on the northern side.

Hostile infantry offered resistance, which, however, was quickly broken. From the southern side, parts of the Danube army entered through the fort circle into the town. They encountered no resistance. The troops entering Bukharest were enthusiastically welcomed and decorated with flowers. Field Marshal von Mackensen proceeded in an automobile to the Royal Castle, where he was greeted and presented with bunches of flowers.

Official Turkish telegram.—Turkish headquarters, December 6.—The Turkish troops who participated in the battle on the Arges captured 60 officers and 3,600 men and 3 complete batteries, which do not include the 11 guns reported yesterday as being captured.

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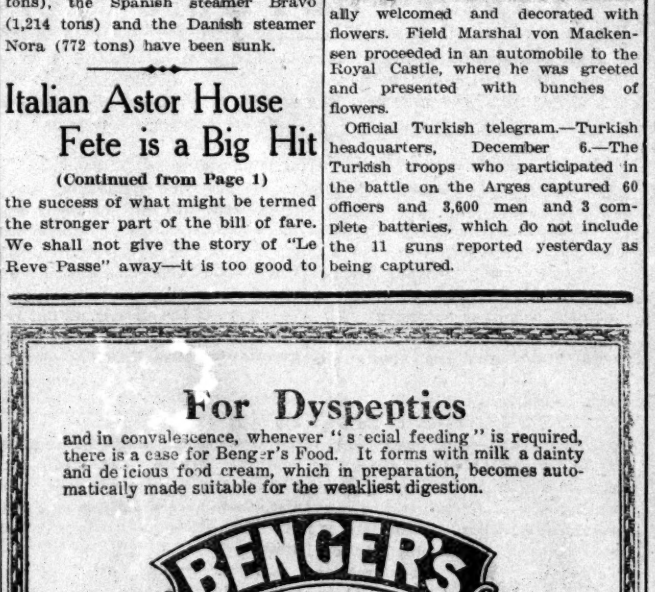

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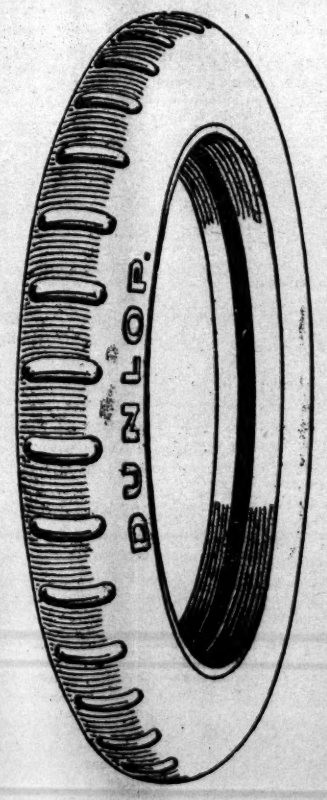

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FROM THE FAROE ISLANDS

Flight Must Be Made Within 24 Hours, Limit of Physical Endurance

Copenhagen, October 15.—"Do you remember," said Lieut. Pollner of the Danish army to a correspondent, "six years ago, when scenes of strange excitement were witnessed in this city in connection with the first display of flying? Schools were deserted by the children, the prisoners in court were forgotten by both magistrates and police, traffic was suspended, shopkeepers and post officials jumped their counters in mad rush for the aviation ground, and for at least one hour the invalids in bed were almost the only occupants of the town. I was among the crowd on that day.

"Six years only have elapsed, and the progress in mastering the air has been so marvelous that I have made up my mind that the problem of crossing through the air the Atlantic Ocean is feasible, and I hope to be the lucky winner."

Lieut. Pollner, now twenty-five years old, entered the Danish army a few years ago as a private. After passing his degree he became Lieutenant and at once took a fancy to air flying. He is generally recognised as a cool-headed, skilled and daring airman.

As regards the Atlantic flying, he says he did not find anybody willing to listen to his plan at the start, but ultimately Prince Axel, the royal air pilot, backed him and matters then went more smoothly.

Must Do It in 24 Hours

"The building of a flying boat," he continued, "of the dimensions necessary for my experiments requires most careful consideration and preparation. The first condition is to get two very powerful motors to drive the engine, and I doubt that I can get them in this country. By permission of the military authorities I am therefore leaving today for Berlin, where I am certain to find what I want without much difficulty. The motors must be of a capacity to enable me to make a speed of about 160 kilometers per hour—that is to say, 4,000 kilometers must be made in one dash, being the distance between Europe's extreme western outpost, the Faroe Islands, and the New World's extreme eastern point, New Foundland. I calculate that this journey must be covered in not more than 24 hours, because I consider it practically impossible to have my hands tied up to the steering apparatus for any longer period.

Two Tons of Dead Weight

"The boat must be able to carry, besides myself and my mate, two tons of dead weight, consisting of extra apparatus for steering and navigating, utensils, oil, food and a perfect wireless system to enable me to summon assistance in case of accident.

"A well-known Danish boat builder has promised to construct a boat, in which two motors, each of 180-horse power, will be placed. It is expected to be ready by March. I will then make some test flying across the Baltic and the Kattegat to Christiania and Stockholm, and if these trips prove satisfactory I will next spring realise my scheme."

As Berlin at present is not exactly a place for visitors, the Lieutenant before starting provided himself with a supply of food sufficient to last during his stay there.

School Girls Like U.S. Army 'Setting-Up' Exercises

(Washington Irving High School girls at "setting up" exercises)

New York, October 20.—The girls at the Washington Irving High School are trying some new "stunts" in their gymnasium this school term. The United States Army "setting up" exercises are occupying the attention of the feminine devotees of physical culture, and these simple calisthenic exercises, which are used with or without dumbbells, are proving very popular with the young athletes.

In many of the schools in the United States these exercises have been popular for the past season, particularly in the University of Washington, where two thousand pupils have daily gone through the exercises prescribed for our soldiers.

The girls are enthusiastic about the exercises and declare that they are much more interesting than the regular old-time calisthenic work, which tended to develop masculine women with big and bulky muscles.

Kaiser Not Beaten But Will Be, British At Somme Agree

After Nearly 4 Months Of Fighting Staff Correspondent Sees No Sign Of Let-Up In Steady Pressure Upon Germans---1,100,000 Men Hit By Metal Since July 1

By Joseph Wrigg

(*Staff Correspondent N. Y. World*)

British Headquarters on the Somme, October 24.—Nearly four months have passed since the opening of the great Somme Battle, and there is no indication of any relaxation of the efforts of the British army in its steady pressure upon the Germans.

The chorus of guns is accentuated at intervals by intense bombardments. But as I scrutinize war's most sanguinary battlefield from a vantage point here, the gunfire has slackened and the temporary lull makes it possible to see better this field of action. Under the warm October sun Bapaume is clearly visible, especially its church tower.

According to the estimate of a high British officer, this Somme battlefield, which has assumed the brown color of fall, has been one in which more than 1,100,000 combatants have been hit by metal in some shape or form since July 1.

There lies Fricourt, Thiepval, Mametz Wood, Contalmaison—all names which will ever be associated with the world's most trying battle. German shells burst a good distance away from where I stand, and the rapid flashes hold the attention of the eyes before the reports reach the ears as many British batteries over the crest of the hill fire down upon the German lines beyond Thiepval.

In the sky above, British and a number of French sausage balloons peacefully conduct their work of observation, as compared with six German sausages which have appeared on the horizon. British aircraft dart over the German lines frequently, insistently. Their manœuvers are clearly perceptible, because in the wake of each come shrapnel puffballs from German guns. No German aircraft come over the British lines, although I am told they have been more venturesome recently than in the earlier days of the Somme offensive.

German Machine Gun Strategy

Moving bodies of troops on the broad plains just back of the firing line show impressively the superiority of the British air service over the German.

Opportunty has been afforded me for a closer inspection of part of the battlefield and to traverse dishevelled Fricourt as well as obtain a closer inspection of Mametz Wood.

The Somme battles have demonstrated that the German strategy in the west is primarily that of a machine gun defense. Fricourt is an example of this strategy. It seems almost impossible that such craftily built trenches and underground fortresses could be taken, but they have been, and German dead still lie in their own dugouts on tihs battlefield attesting to the fact.

"Poisonous' is the sign placed at the entrance of such dugouts. Almost on the lip of one of the big craters made by British mines are the miniature graveyards of many brave Briton who wrested this shell-torn hill from the Germans. Flowers growing in the crater holes indicate that nature is taking a hand in covering up as soon as possible the scenes of desolation.

'Not Beaten, But Will Be'

"The German isn't beaten, but will be,' is what I found to be the opinion of Generals as well as men in the ranks. If Germany hopes to win by machine guns the British are just as determined to win by smashing such a defense, whether they do it by the big guns, of which I have had a good view, or the now famous tanks, of which I have had fleeting glimpses, or by a combinatioin of these implements of war and the superb soldiers who have since July 1 consistently and relentlessly pushed their way over flat ground swept with a hail of lead to the crest of the hill which brings them so perilously close to Bapaume and the plains beyond.

I have found no understimating of Germans strength and fighting spirit. "They fight like tigers" is an expression I have heard out here more frequently than ones of a derogatory character, equally true, of certain elements running away.

The Germans have placed their best and bravest soldiers in charge of the machine guns. In one of the most recent engagements one German gunner continued his merciless machine gun fire on the British troops until he was bayoneted. He had been bayoneted seven times before he was knocked out. As compared with this sample of ferocious tenacity much light is thrown upon the waning spirit of some other units in the German army by the discovery of an order by von Buelow to his officers warning them that they would be court martialled if they continued to leave their posts when attacked.

Ceaseless Tide of Surprise

What the forward movements of such a great army as this British one is on the Somme means is indicated by the ceaseless tide of supplies which flows constantly to the very line of battle. One Tommy said to me that a British General on his way to the battle front in his motor car often was only a blur, but it is a more persistent, steadier pace which carries supplies and munitions to this advancing army, or equips these vast patches of khaki-clad men who are ready to be moved up into the actual fighting sector.

As I with several others worked my way past this endless chair of lorries we came in view of the Canadian division which had been in the fighting line and was now returning for rest. The day before a German in a hospital had said to me: "The Canadians are fine fighters and brave fellows, and so are the Australians." He had been fighting against Canadians at different intervals, he said, for many months.

This Canadian division went along the road whistling, singing and mud-stained. They were fighters and no doubt of it, as were also those Scotch troops we met later at the point on the road where there was a veritable hillock of empty shell cases.

The Somme sector has been the never-ending scene of all corollaries to an intense modern battle since July 1. It is an electrified atmosphere, where the greatest impulse is to go forward, and there is no division of opinion from the highest to the humblest quarters in King George's army that this impulse is to be rewarded with anything less than a complete victory over the Germans.

There is no doubt as to the measures being adopted by the Germans to try if possible to counteract the encroaching British armies. They are feverishly constructing new lines of intrenchments. For although winter must be reckoned with by the allies, it will be a very severe ordeal for the German. When the ground becomes frozen he will not have the opportunity to dig himself in in the way he can do before the first frost. It is known that he has already built three more lines beyond certain sectors of the Somme front, thereby indicating obviously that he has no intention of retreating voluntarily to the Meuse.

Expected End This Fall

German military critics may assert that Hindenburg is holding in readiness for next year a great force of men with which the Germans contend they will obtain victory. This is not the conclusion of the British Generals. It is asserted by a number of the latter with whom I have talked that the Germans, unless every normal estimate is wrong, cannot place new men in the field next year. It is asserted that they must bring back into the fighting line troops who have already been there. On certain parts of the Somme front German troops who disappeared two months ago are once more in the fighting.

In brief, Germany, it has been explained to me, expected to end the war this fall, and believing that at Verdun she had crippled France for the rest of the war then mustered all her reserves. Then the British and French hit and hit hard on the Somme, and these battling tactics progress uninterruptedly, through sometimes more fiercely than at others.

"It is considered a poor day when we don't take several hundred German prisoners," said a British officer. "A year ago such a thing was not possible. There still is much fight in the Germans, but their morale has suffered."

Instead of shortening the lines the Germans, because of the pronounced salient created by the allies in their advance toward Bapaume, have had to extend them.

"At best the Germans must meet us next year with an army which will be composed of troops who have already suffered heavily," said my informant. "We have already got the better of ninety of his 123 divisions on the west front."

Whatever troops Germany removes from the western front must be replaced by others. To hold her gains around Verdun she will be compelled to maintain infact her troops already there. In the mean time Britain piles up her mountains of shells and supplies for "The Day"—Britain's Day, as her vast organisation in France believes absolutely.

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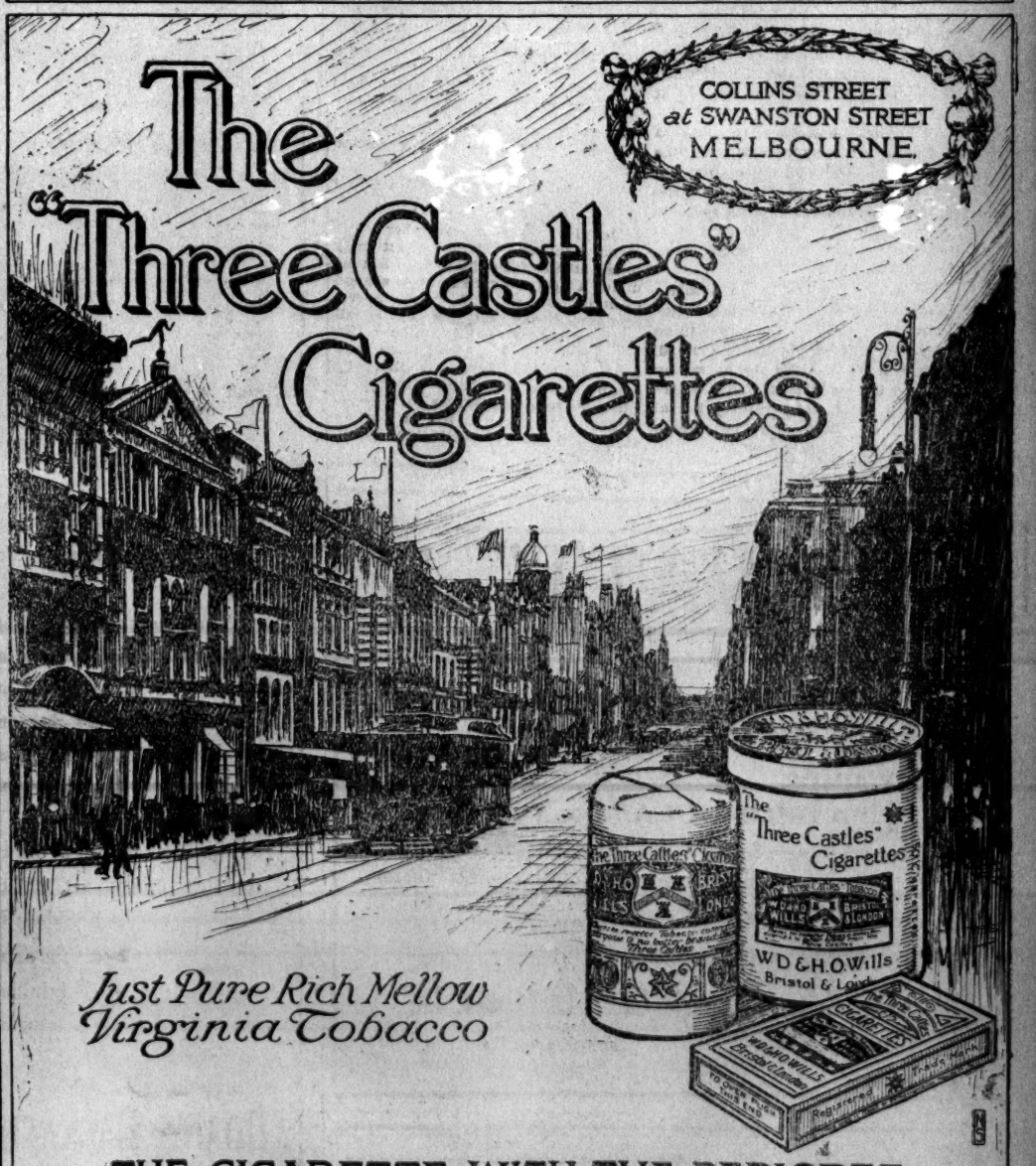

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U. S. BUREAU CRUSADE FOR PURER GASOLINE

In Consequence of Complaints Received From Commercial Organisations

Washington, November 4.—The Government has set to work a corps of experts who will shortly announce an absolute standard of motor fuel which will be available to the lawmakers of the State. In fact, the real purpose of the "pure gasoline" inquiry which the Bureau of Standards of the Department of Commerce is now conducting is to provide accurate scientific data, for the time is believed to be fast approaching, when the quality of the gasoline now being sold will be frowned upon by the law. The trouble with the gasoline of 1916 is its kerosene con-

For more than a year inquiries have been pouring in upon the bureau from trade and commercial organisations from coast to coast, all asking: "What is pure motor gasoline?"

In almost every case the question was accompanied by convincing proof that the fuel sold as "gasoline" by garages and other sources of supply contained a kerosene constituent that ranged anywhere from 5 per cent to 15 per cent of the fluid mass.

Investigation Under Way

Very recently the Board of Trade of the District of Columbia started a campaign in the interest of purer gasoline. The Bureau of Standards was called upon to inaugurate a series of tests which would fix a standard for gasoline, so that the board could bring prosecutions under a local statute which provided a penalty for false advertising.

The board was successful in obtaining the co-operation not only of the Bureau of Standards but of the Federal Bureau of Mines as well, and at this time the gasoline probe is well under way. It was started, bureau officials pointed out, because of the almost inevitable demand for "pure gasoline" laws which is expected to come within the next few months.

The development of the gasoline engine has made possible the use of a certain kerosene content in all gasoline sold for fuel. This constituent was low in the first days of gasoline adulteration, but it has increased month by month until it is now so large that it will leave a film of grease on cloth dipped in the ordinary grade of motor gasoline.

Has Caused Much Trouble

The increasing of the kerosene adulterant has caused motorists endless trouble, such as the clogging of cylinders with a carbon deposit, and so poor is the ordinary grade of gasoline that certain firms are charging higher prices for the pure product. The Bureau of Standards believes the time is not far off when all States will pass laws aimed at this evil.

No effort, however, to pass a national pure gasoline law will be made, it is believed; the matter will be left solely to the States, but the Bureau of Standards expects to be in a position soon to furnish legislators with data upon which such laws must be based.

The work of adopting an absolute standard for pure gasoline is altogether too technically scientific to be easily understood by the lay mind, yet it can be summed up by saying that the bureau experts must determine at what temperature a real gasoline distillate may be drawn from the petroleum "base."

Ice-Skating Bear Entertains Society

New York, October 31.—Something of a novelty has been introduced by the management of the St. Nicholas ice-skating rink where a great many society folk indulge the latest fad in the shape of an ice-skating bear. The picture shows Bruin having his skates strapped on preparatory to an exhibition of his skill.

Crew Blows Up U-Boat Aground Off Denmark

London, November 5.—A despatch to Reuter's Telegram Agency from Copenhagen says a German submarine stranded Saturday night off Harbooere, on the west coast of Denmark.

After vain attempts by German torpedo boat destroyers to refloat it and the refusal of assistance from the local lifeboat station, the crew blew up the submarine and took refuge on board the destroyers.

ESCAPES RUSSIAN ARMY

Rowed Across the Gulf of Bothnia For 75 Miles in Open Boat

Hancock, Mich., November 4.—Charles Toivonen has arrived in Hancock from Finland, after two attempts, to escape service in the Russian army. Toivonen crossed the Gulf of Bothnia, seventy-five miles, in a small boat, to Sweden, where a ticket to this country, forwarded by friends here, awaited him. Being a sturdy, experienced oarsman, he crossed the gulf in three days.

Last winter, on his first attempt to escape on skis across the gulf with several other men. Toivonen was caught by a Russian patrol and returned to Finland. Early this summer he hid a small boat and awaited a favorable opportunity. Then, with food for several days, he started out one night.

Toivonen says many of his countrymen will come to America after the war.

MAN WITH NERVE

Douglas, Wyo., November 4.—Henry Stephens, living about fifty miles north of Douglas, who is now under a doctor's care here, is a good example of a man with nerve. Stephens broke his leg by a fall while out on the range alone. He managed to mount his horse and rode ten miles to a sheepherder's camp before receiving any help. Then he rode sixty miles to Douglas to get a physician. He is getting along well and will be all right again.

Mahon Heads British Forces in Ireland

London, November 5.—It is officially announced that Lieutenant General Bryan T. Mahon, commander of the British forces on the western frontier in Egypt, has been appointed to succeed Major General Sir John Maxwell as commander of the British forces in Ireland. General Maxwell is appointed commander-in-chief of the northern command in England.

It is also announced officially that General Sir F. Reginald Wingate, Sirdar of the Egyptian army, has been appointed High Commissioner for Egypt in succession to Lieutenant Colonel Sir Arthur Henry MacMashon.

U. S. Loans Belligerents Total of $1,825,400,000

New York, November 2.—Loans to the belligerent Governments by the United States have reached a net total of $1,825,400,000, according to computations made by the National City Bank. The distribution has been as follows:

Great Britain	$858,400,000
France	656,200,000
Russia	117,200,000
Italy	25,000,000
Canada	120,000,000
Canadian Provinces and Cities	185,000,000
Germany	12,000,000
Total loans	1,981,800,000
Amount paid off	$156,400,000
Net loans	1,825,400,000

Loans to Latin-American countries, to China and to European neutrals increase the total to $1,981,857,637.

The bank urges that further loans be made to foreign countries so that the danger of inflation may be avoided.

TOOLS EGYPTIANS USED

Unearthed by a Scientist And Said To Be 4,000 Years Old

Philadelphia, Pa., November 4.—Stone implements and household tools, estimated to be 4,000 years old, forming part of a collection owned by Meremptah, son and successor to Rameses the Great, 1,300 years before Christ, have been unearthed in the prehistoric monarch's palace at Memphis, ancient capital of Egypt.

Advices telling of these important discoveries have reached the University museum here from Dr. Clarence S. Fisher, leader of the Eckley B. Coxe jr. expedition to Egypt

In a full report, Dr. Fisher describes wandering through the spacious halls of the great palace that for centuries lay buried in ancient Memphis. Gold ornaments, scarabs vessels of various kinds and vases were found intact, just as they must have been when the lords of those days departed.

Many of the relics found, says Dr. Fisher, date back to the Stone Age. Traces of a fire that must have ravished the palace are found on every side, according to the archaeologist.

D'Annunzio Made Captain for Valor

Rome, November 5.—Gabrielle d'Annunzio, the poet and novelist, has been promoted to the grade of captain for gallantry in action.

General Cadorna, in conferring the honor, says in an order that d'Annunzio on October 10 and 11, by word and deed, set a notable example for the troops attacking two Austrian positions.

MANY LIKE HIM IN CHINA

Redding, Cal., November 5.—To reach the age of four-score and two without having seen a railroad train was the experience of Ah Fing, a Chinese, who came in from Weaverville and left on the train the other morning for Fresno.

He had lived in Trinity County forty-eight years. When he saw the train coming he thought it was a demon from the mystic land.

Twin Girls Adopted By Parents of Twin Boys

Seattle, Wash., November 11.—Already the parents of twin boys ten years old, Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Hawley adopted by decree of Judge Everett Smith, in the Superior Court, Mary and Margaret Erickson, twin girls sixteen months old. Judge Milo Root told the Court the twin girls had been formally given into custody of the Washington Children's Home here by the Spokane authority.

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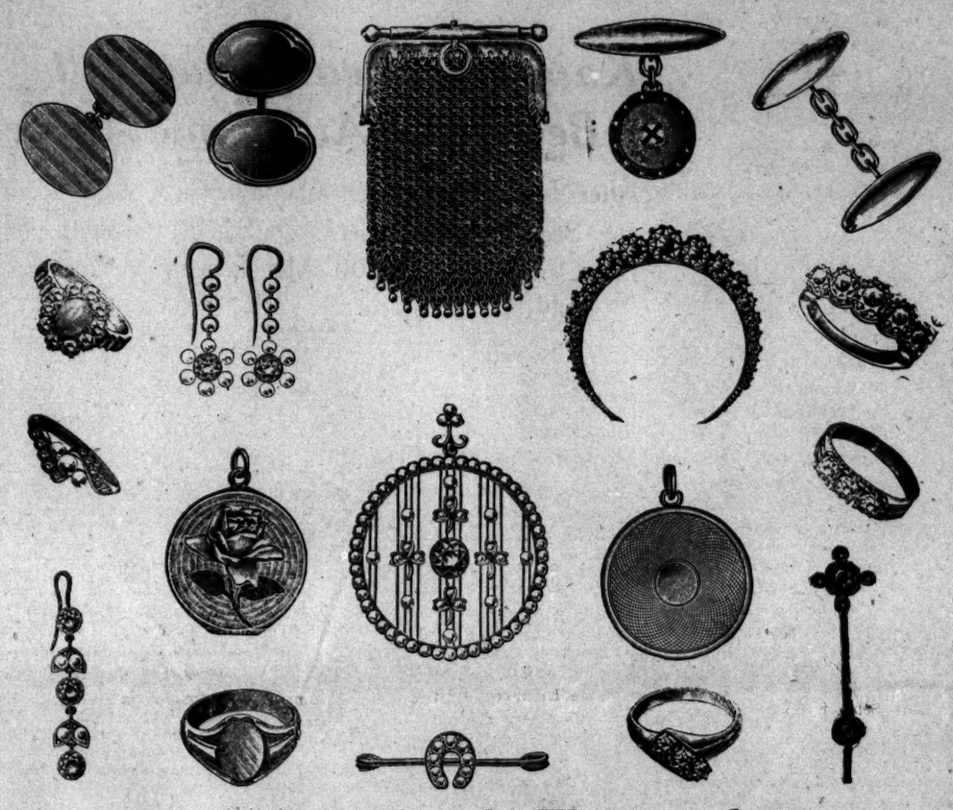

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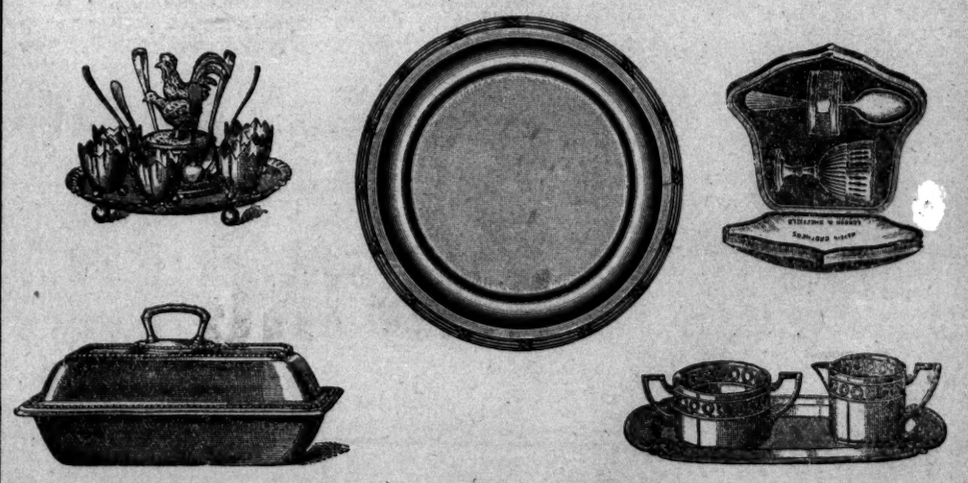

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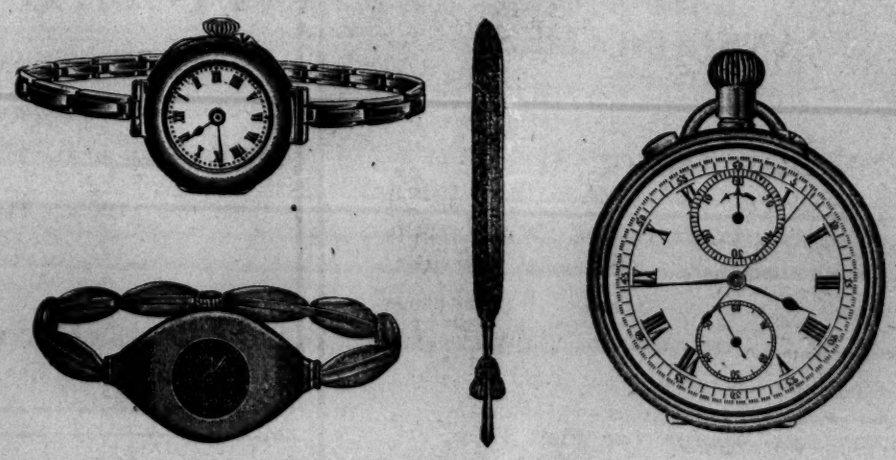

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PRESIDENT PRO TEM ON SUNDAY, MARCH 4?

Inauguration Day Question Is Causing Official Discussion In Washington

NO LAW COVERS THE POINT

But Hayes and Jackson, in Similar Situation, Took The Oath March 3.

Washington, November 9.—The fact that March 4, Inauguration Day, falls in 1917 on Sunday is causing more or less academic discussion. The matter has been considered informally by many officials and by members of the Cabinet, Senators, and Congressmen who stand close to President Wilson. No one has reached a definite conclusion as to the precise legal solution.

The outgoing President usually holds office until noon of the day of the inauguration of his successor. Probably a law or State paper signed by him on March 4 before noon would be held by the courts or by Congress to be legal and of full force and effect. Likewise, any similar action by the new President in the afternoon of that day would be of full legal force. Secretary Lansing, on whom would fall the responsibility of acting as President adinterim, according to the view of some authorites, has acknowledged that he has reached no conclusions regarding the technicality and knows of none reached by others. He also feels quite sure that no situation will arise nor will any necessity be likely which will impose on him the brief authority of a Chief Magistrate.

Attorney General Gregory is another member of the Cabinet whose attention has been drawn to the perplexing question of who would be President in the Sunday interval. His view is that no precedent exists under which to formulate a legal opinion as to the necessity for any intermediate holding of the office.

Little light is afforded by examination of the law provided by Congress to meet the contingency of the failure for any cause whatever of a President to perform the duties of his office. This law was drawn by the late Senator Hoar of Massachusetts and went into effect in 1886. It provides that in case of "the removal, death, resignation, or inability of both the President and Vice President of the United States, the Secretary of State shall act as President until the disability of the President or Vice President is removed or a President elected."

In case there should be no Secretary of State, or he should be unable to act, then the Secretary of the Treasury should act, and so on in turn, if each member of the Cabinet according to priority of the office should be unable to act, the one next lower should be President pro tem. This law, however, was not enacted to meet what will happen March 4, 1917, which is not regarded as a legal official or legislative day.

This is not, either, the first time March 4 has rolled around on Sunday. The first inauguration of Andrew Jackson fell on the day of rest. So did Rutherford B. Hayes's inauguration. In those cases the oath of office was taken on March 3, the Saturday before the actual beginning of the term of office, and the new President moved into the White House on Monday, the 5th, which, of course, avoided all criticism from good people who did not believe in moving into a new house on Sunday.

In short, the legal view of induction into office seems to depend on the qualification of the principal rather than the time or place of inauguration Andrew Johnson took the oath of office as President at the Kirkwood House within an hour after the death of President Lincoln, and later repeated it before the United States Senate. Congress has fixed the time when a term of office begins, and if the President-elect has taken the oath of office in the proper and legal manner any time before his term begins he is regarded as qualified to enter on his duties whether they begin on Sunday or any other day.

If Mr. Hughes were elected President and should take the oath of office on Saturday, March 3, 1917, he would ipso facto be President of the United States according to law and presidents at the stroke of high noon March 4, even if he should happen to be listening to the benediction from Dr. Greene in Calvary Church, or himself singing the doxology.

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S. S. NAZER DEFEATS FENTON AT BILLIARDS

Latter at 588 to Opponent's 506 Unable to Score The Necessary 12

After running the balls together for a nice 52, "Pat" Fenton found he could not realise a much-needed five at the finish of his game with S. S. Nazer in the second round of the championship at the Shanghai Club last night and after he had been leading 588-506 he had to stand on watching Nazer putting on a couple of 23 breaks, sundry nines and tens and then run out.

Fenton thus repeated his last year's performance when, also in the second round, he was within ten of his points when Phillips went to the table and ran out on a 38.

Last night's game was far from championship standard and both men averaged under six, going 110 times to the table. Fenton got away at the beginning and passed the first, second, and third hundred ahead. He put on a nice 38 in the first hundred and Nazer ran up a 26. At 300 Fenton was 70 ahead but he stuck on that mark for some time and Nazer came up to him at 327.

Nazer then took the lead and crossed the four hundred first but Fenton was ahead at 457-436 and after a twenty he compiled his 52, a very tidy lot, marred only by a fluke at 25. Nazer kept pegging away and a 32 brought the score to 527-490.

Fenton then went away again and it was a ten to one chance when he had reached 588 and Nazer was only 506. But then the balls refused to run for him and the last twelve were beyond him. A couple put him on the 590 mark and a five gave him 595 but beyond that he was not allowed to go. Fenton had the luck at the start and Nazer had any that was going at the finish but the most of the luck then was bad luck and Fenton was the recipient.

Mr. R. P. Phillips was in charge of the game.

Today's Games

C. Komaroff meets J. E. Wilson at the Engineers' Institute at 5.30 p.m. this afternoon and Gordon Morriss plays H. E. Gibson at the Masonic Club after dinner.

Two more games have been arranged in the Shanghai Amateur Championship, as follows:—

C .W. Porter v. E. D. Bush, at the Marine Engineers' Institute on Thursday, 9 p.m.

R. P. Phillips v. G. M. P. Remedios, at the Marine Engineers' Institute on Friday, 9 p.m.

Sports Correspondence

A Football Dispute at Ichang

Sports Editor, THE CHINA PRESS

Dear Sir.—Will you kindly settle for me a point in Soccer football? On December 4, in a game played between the Scottish Mission Boys' School and a combined team from the Ichang Chinese Recreation Club and the Railway, one of the players on the school team pushed from behind with his two hands another player on the club team. The umpire ruled that as a foul and awarded a penalty kick to the Club. A Scottish clergyman attached to the School then rushed on to the field and broke off the game by ordering his boys off the field on the ground that the umpire did not know his business. His contention was that in foreign countries where they play Soccer, one player is allowed to push from behind with his two hands another player in order to get him away from the ball. Will you please tell me who is right, the umpire or the clergyman?

Further, in a case like that would the scores made before the game was broken off stand? Thanking you in advance and enclosing my card,

I am, Yours etc., "Interested."

Ichang, December 5, 1916.

[There is a much bigger point involved here than the mere interpretation of a rule. The Scottish clergyman was absolutely and hopelessly wrong. No matter how big a mistake the umpire may have made, there is nothing which can justify such interference with the game. Football's greatest worth is that it teaches young fellows to "play the game" and, if the clergyman gives it serious thought, he will appreciate how much greater was his fault when it was committed before Chinese boys just learning the game. Such an action in England would have meant that the Association would close the ground at least for a season and probably for longer.

As to the umpire's ruling, he may have been right or he may not. If a player is *facing his own goal*—not otherwise—and is impeding an opponent from getting the ball, it is permissible for him to be pushed away with the hands.

However, football players think so little of this rule, which, after all, is not very sportsmanlike, that they very seldom avail themselves of it. The writer of this answer, in fifteen years on the field and several more behind the ropes, has only once seen it done. That was in his college days, when the boys came fresh from a lecture by their coach and, boylike, caught on to something which was novel and simply hunted for an opportunity to take advantage of it.

As regards the result of the game, the score in an unfinished match does not stand unless the referee holds that the conduct of one side justifies him in stopping the play and awarding a victory to the others.]

Shanghai Golf Club

Monthly Cup Competition

Sixty-four cards were taken out for the December Monthly Cup which was competed for on Saturday and Sunday, the conditions being 18 holes, medal; Club handicaps. The result was as follows:—

R. W. Johnston	89	15	74
E. Brook	88	12	76
Jas. Scotson	86	6	80
F. S. Gibbings	90	10	80
R. J. Bowerman	92	12	80
H. E. S. Pickering	89	8	81
C. Knight	91	8	83
E. H. Gordon	97	14	83
W. S. Clay	91	7	84
F. O. Reynolds	93	8	85

S. V. C. Orders

Corps Orders by Major T. E. Trueman, Commandant: S. V. C. Headquarters, 15 Canton Road. Shanghai. December 12, 1916.

No. 74.—Inter-Company Challenge Shield:—

The following is the result of the draw for the order of firing in the above Competition.

1.—Italian Co. ..... 9.00 a.m.
2.—"A" Co. (British) ... 9.10 „
3.—Portuguese Co. ..... 9.20 „
4.—Maxim Battery..... 9.30 „
5.—Shanghai-Scottish ... 9.40 „
6.—Customs Co. ..... 9.50 „
7.—Japanese Co. .....10.00 „
8.—Artillery .....10.10 „
9.—Reserve Co. .....10.20 „
10.—American Co. .....10.30 „
11.—The Engineers .....10.40 „
12.—"B" Co. (British) ...10.50 „
13.—Chinese Co. .....11.00 „

Each team must be at a point, indicated by a flag, in rear of the Range huts, ready to march off at the time stated against each Unit in the above table.

No-one will be allowed in view of the targets except the team engaged in the practice and the umpires. It is hoped that each team will strictly observe the spirit of these conditions.

No. 75.—Leave:—The following Officers have returned from leave and resumed their duties:—

Captain L. J. Cubitt, "B" Co. (British) 5/12/16. Lieut. J. S. Chisholm, Shanghai-Scottish 13/10/16.

No. 76.—Engineer Company:—The official designation of this Unit will, with the approval of the Council, be "The Engineers," S. V. C., with effect from December 1, 1916.

AMERICAN ATHLETIC CLUB

A meeting for the election of officers of the Shanghai American Athletic Club will be held at 19 Nanking Road at 5.15 p.m., today. All American men are invited to attend and enroll themselves as charter members. Object of the Club: The promotion of general athletic sports among the Americans of Shanghai. Dues: Five dollars per year. The Temporary Committee: G. F. Ashley, J. E. Pennywitt, O. D. Rasmussen, H. D. Rodger, R. E. Squires.

Shanghai Scottish, S.V.C.

The December monthly cup competition was held on Saturday, the conditions being Practices 7, 8 and 9 of the Annual Musketry Course. Only 23 members fired and the following were the best scores.

"A" Class

	Practice No. 7	8	9	Score	H'cap	Nett Trd.
*C/S. G. J. Turnbull	12	15	14	41	0	41
†Pte. N. C. Brodie	17	11	16	44	5	39
Pte. J. Park	13	16	11	40	5	35
Pte. C. E. Thomson	13	11	15	39	5	34

*1st leg on Cup; †Winner of spoon.

"B" Class

*Pte. C. A. Thomson	11	11	13	35	3	32
Pte. G. Bloom	13	3	10	24	3	23
Pte. R. Patterson	10	5	2	17	0	17

*Winner of spoon only (no competition).

"C" Class

*Pte. R. D. Murray	12	10	13	25	3	32
Pte. F. Ferrier	7	6	4	17	0	17
Pte. A. M. Scott	5	2	9	16	0	16

*Winner of spoon; transferred to "B" Class.

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Shanghai American Athletic Club

A meeting of the above Club will be held today, Wednesday, December 13, 1916, at 19 Nanking Road, at 5.15 p.m.

BUSINESS:—Election of Officers and any other business which may come before the meeting.

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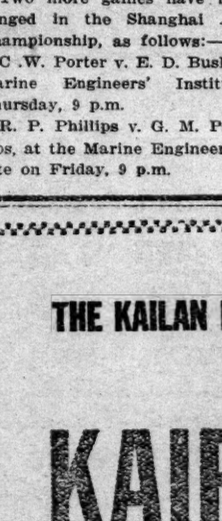

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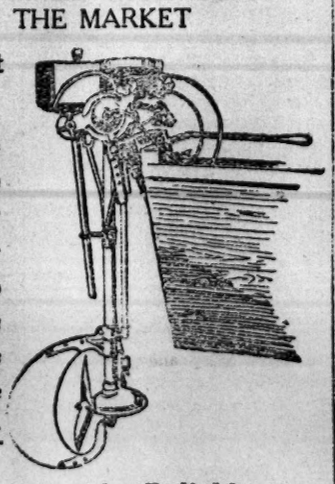

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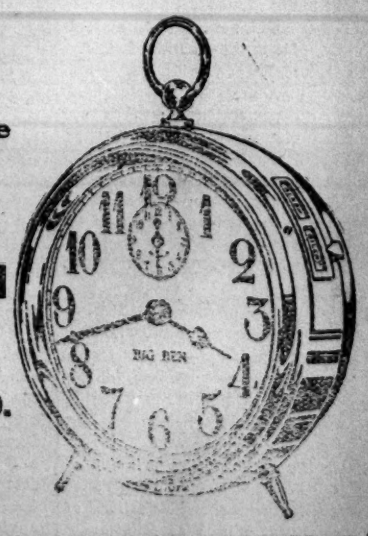

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The gale will decrease in the north. Regular or fresh monsoon along the rest of the coast.

IMPARTIAL AND PROGRESSIVE

SHANGHAI, DECEMBER 13, 1916

'Half The Union Dry'

(*New York Times*)

Two worthy Drys, former Governor Hanly of Indiana and Dr. Lambrith of Tennessee, have run or walked on that quadrennial Quixotism, the national Prohibition ticket. The wonder grows why the agitation for prohibition by a Federal amendment is kept up when State prohibiton has made such remarkable conquests. According to the Anti-Saloon League, five more States, Michigan, Montana, Nebraska, South Dakota, Utah, voted in favor of prohibition amendments Tuesday. Eighteen States already dry were Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Mississippi, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Washington, Virginia, West Virginia. Thus twenty-three States, almost "one-half of the Union," as the Anti-Saloon League boasts, are dry.

It is to be noted, however, that the tendency of some of the new prohibition enactments has been away from absolute prohibition. A certain moderate monthly allowance of liquor, beer, and wine is permitted. People who want to drink can do so in their homes; the public saloon, with its invitations and temptations to excess, is put out of the way. This compromise, this concession to private habit kept private, may not be satisfactory to extreme prohibitionists, but it may serve to lessen an acknowledged evil.

Enforcement must depend, of course, on public sentiment, and juries are sometimes blind to the facts. But limit prohibition, in Alabama, for instance, is surely preferable to the rigid "Maine law" system, which, in Maine cities, is notoriously dishonored all or most of the time. On the other hand, in Kansas thirst is swallowed up, so to speak, in the general virtue of a community which is morally almost homogeneous. "Blind tigers," "speak-easies," "bootleggers," spring up, but enforcement is not difficult where prohibition is accepted as a sort of corollary of the moral law. The substitution of strong and vile drink for beers and wines, on account of the greater bulk of the latter, has often been cited as a typical result of prohibition. Presumably the "near" prohibition, the rum-quota States avoid that.

It will be interesting to see how prohibition will work in a city of the size of Detroit. Meanwhile, in States where public restriction of private habit is not relished, prohibition, inhibition of immoderate drinking, is actively and generally practiced. Public opinion, the practice of society, the interest of self-preservation, social usage, and the zeal for business and professional success are immitigable reasons for sobriety; and voluntary prohibition by the will is growing more and more common. Elective prohibition rests on a sounder basis than prohibition by exterior will, by the law of a majority. Indeed, the old Adam is so strong in some abstainers that compulsory prohibition would probably send them scurrying for "the old familiar juice." Forbidden fruit is sweetest.

The New York Times on Wilson's Re-election

Under the caption "The Triumph of the People" The New York Times dealt with the re-election of President Wilson as follows:

An electoral victory that counts its determining pluralities by hundreds gives no occasion for empty exulting and delivers to the victor no compelling mandate. When the decision taken by 16,000,000 American voters in the choice of their Chief Executive remains in doubt forty-eight hours after the balloting has ceased and the delicate balance during those hours of uncertainty is swayed this way and that by returns from small and remote precincts, the joy of the victorious party and its candidate must be sobered by the consideration that the result might have been changed by the working of the slightest forces or even by a belated campaign argument.

For President Wilson, however, since he appealed to the country upon his record of public achievement, the victory is veritably a vote of confidence, it is an express approval of his acts, his policies, his Administration. No issue was settled, because no issue was raised by Mr. Hughes. From his own utterances the country reached the conclusion, it could reach no other, that in Mr. Wilson's place he would have adopted Mr. Wilson's policies, that if elected he would continue Mr. Wilson's policies. The voters had before them two candidates very much alike, both worthy of trust, both able, both distinguished. That goes far to explain the closeness of the vote and of the decision. The electorate chose Mr. Wilson because it knew him better, understood him better, because it was averse to a change.

It is only when we put out of view the slender majorities in the States so long in doubt, only when we cease to think of Mr. Wilson's triumph in terms of votes in the Electoral College and contemplate his plurality in the popular vote, that we reach a true measure of the pronounced endorsement he has received from the people. In 1912 Mr. Taft and Mr. Roosevelt together had a plurality of 1,311,444 over Mr. Wilson. In this election Mr. Wilson has gained much more than a million votes from the forces that opposed him four years ago. In the face of that prodigious showing of gain in the confidence of the people, how petty and futile all the campaign attacks upon him now seem, how void of merit the criticism of his policies at home and abroad!

It was altogether and purely an American choice, made for American reason, upon considerations that concern our own affairs only. There was much of the old-time party division, even Republican New England, Republican New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Illinois spoke with a clear and strong voice for a Republican President. The South declared, as it always does, for a Democratic President. It was in the West and beyond the Rocky Mountains that reversals of established party form were registered. In those States, where the Republican forces were much shaken and disordered by the Roosevelt foray, by a doubtless growing inclination toward principles and practices more progressive than those of the Republican Party, and by a belief that popular Government should be in fact a Government for all the people and for all the States, not for the special protection of any interest or to give effect to the views prevailing in great States or any group of great States, there was an astonishing change, a transformation. The States of the West, in a new political alliance with the States of the South, decided the election. That is a geographical and political fact of which party managers will necessarily take notice.

The spirit of Thomas Jefferson, could we imagine a spirit submitting to a newspaper interview, would express a deep and solemn joy at the outcome of this election. Jefferson believed that the party he founded and of which he has been for more than a century the tutelary saint, should be and should continue to be the party of the people. He believed in the soundness of the people's judgments, he trusted them, he was a popular chieftain, oftentimes supplementing his declarations of confidence in the people by extreme expressions of distrust in that other class of which the Federalist Party was so largely made up. The people triumphed on Tuesday and it was a Jeffersonian triumph. They turned away from the party hitherto in the majority, that is a lineal descendant of the Federalists, they gave their votes to a candidate who may be called the political heir of Jefferson. The South and the West united for a reaffirmation of Jefferson's political philosophy. It is fortunate for the country, it is of good augury for the Democratic Party, that this triumph was won, not with a leader like Mr. Bryan, who was not only popular but Populist, that the popular plurality is given to no reckless radical, "ambitious, unsteady, unsafe," that the exponent today of the philosophy of Jefferson is Woodrow Wilson, wise, moderate, experienced, capable.

Dr. Wu Ting-fang As Mediator

The Tientsin Jih Pao, a Japanese daily, has published the following declaration which is reported to have been made by Dr. Wu Ting-fang, new Minister for Foreign Affairs, to one of his friends in Tientsin concerning his future diplomatic policy:—

"Since the failure to reach an amicable settlement of the Laohsikai case through the good offices of the British Minister, little has been known to the public about further negotiations between the Government and the French Legation. After my arrival in Peking, the first thing I shall do is to enter into negotiations with the French Legation frankly and sincerely. I shall try to settle the case through the proper diplomatic channel. You know, sincerity and frankness count for much especially in diplomatic dealings. When I was Chinese Minister at Washington, I never failed to settle diplomatic questions with the United States Government in that manner.

"It is generally recognised by diplomats that in all international disputes, there is always sufficient room for each side to hold its grounds. And it is very difficult for the interested parties to see clearly the right or wrong of a question unless they be inspired by a sense of justice. It depends entirely upon the sense of justice of diplomats to decide whether concessions should be made in order to reach a settlement. Concessions must not be such as to involve serious losses to one's country. Demands, which will jeopardise national interests, must be strenuously resisted.

"There are numerous Chinese merchants who are trading in the South Sea Islands and North America. Millions and millions of dollars are being remitted to this country each year by these overseas merchants. Under the present circumstances the country can not do too much in giving encouragement to foreign trade, which, if properly developed, would diminish the number of idlers and the unemployed. For lack of Government protection our overseas merchants have been constantly ill-treated in foreign lands. This has aroused our deep sympathy. After my assumption of office, I shall devise proper measures for the protection of the overseas merchants.

"According to the latest Customs returns of China, imports far exceed exports. This means that large sums of money are annually flowing out of the country. If we are blind to this or, if we see it, and do not try to develop our foreign trade, our resources will soon be drained. We shall then be hardly able to exist as a nation.

"Factional feuds in the Government have recently reached a crisis. Having no connection with any of the political parties and being non-partisan in principle, my chief object in going to Peking is to act, to all my ability, as a mediator between the different factions in the Government. Party and factional feuds, if allowed to continue, will certainly ruin the country. The most serious problem which confronts the Government is to stop brothers fighting among themselves inside the wall. The European and American press generally express the view that if the present state of affairs is allowed to continue, it will certainly be impossible for China to preserve her national entity. This is the task to which the country must address itself."

Every Third Man Is Responsible For His Own Death

By Herbert Kaufman

The species is not approaching decadence at the rate which some alarmists prefer to think. As recently as three years ago the feeble-minded persons in the United States barely exceeded 150,000. There were possibly 200,000 lunatics and some 50,000 blind folk. Considering a population of a hundred millions, heavily proportioned with immigrants and recalling the follies and indulgences of forebears, nature seems to be a very accurate institution after all—she makes about one error in a hundred attempts.

While we're discussing mortality, did you know that deaths by accident, even in these days of rapid transit, flutter, flurry and excitement, are still under the 75,000 mark? And to the everlasting glory of surgery, amputation is so ably managed in this century that the doctor's saw makes a better showing than fish bones in the throat.

One out of every three of us dies from diseases to be escaped by self-control and moderate precaution.

Old age seems to be more a matter of personal desire than we're prone to think. The Adam family is still sound and sturdy. Life simply asks a reasonable show.

Why Many Attempts To Write Plays Fail

Mary Roberts Rinehart Says Position of Drama From Standpoint of Available Plays Is Chaotic and Tells What Experience Has Taught Her

By Mary Robert Rinehart

No one familiar with the situation can question the chaotic and despairing position of the drama from the standpoint of available plays. Probably the situation is not any worse than it used to be. It is only more apparent. There are more theaters to be supplied and a change in public taste which is not necessarily deplorable has relegated the classic drama to the background and demanded plays of contemporary life in its place.

The supply is not equal to the demand. Indeed there is practically no supply at all. The result is much acrimonious discussion, much gratuitous distribution of blame and —no solution of the question. Naturally, since we insist on dealing with results and not causes.

The plain truth is that playwriting has to be learned like any other art. But it can only be properly learned at the theater itself. Only actually working with the stage, not the theoretical stage but the wood and cement and tormentored stage, can give the technique—for the want of a less reviled word—of the theater. That is why plays must always be rewritten in rehearsal, unless they have been put together by some one so familiar with the stage that he writes his play in its actual dimensions. They have, otherwise, to be cut to fit.

Writing without this knowledge of the stage is precisely like making a pair of shoes for feet the shoemaker has only seen a few times and never measured.

I am tired of theorising about the theater. This is a practical question. If we had as many stages in our gardens as we have pergolas, and if amateur acting were to become as popular here as in England we would soon have all the plays we wanted in actable shape.

We would have some way to learn how.

The "tea cup" drama of England has always seemed to me a distinct development of the British fondness for amateur theatricals.

The fact is, of course, that theatrical writing is highly specialised work, as much so as miniature painting, for instance. Only those who have struggled with the limitations of the stage know the intricacies of its technique. And as if to complicate even that complication, theatrical technique is in itself not a rigid thing of laws, like grammar, but a fluid and changing thing, where the impossible of yesterday is the possible of today.

Here and there in recent years universities have taken up dramatic construction, a step in the right direction, but weak in two ways. Not all who enter such classes have any further mental equipment for the work than the mere desire to write plays. As the sense of drama is strong in most people, the result is large classes and a small percentage of real ability. The second weakness is that these classes are constituted, generally speaking, of young people who have not yet lived and have therefore no perspective on life. Only in exceptional cases does one write life without having lived it.

The tragedy of 20 is sometimes the pathos of 35.

I receive a great many amateur manuscripts. I have never yet received one that could under any circumstances have been produced in its original form. Quite frequently there is an idea distinctly worth while. It is one of the tragedies of playwriting that the best ideas are conceived by people who cannot possibly make them into actable plays.

Years ago I did play reading for a large New York firm. I was writing plays then, and I wanted to find this elusive and vital thing called technique. I had read many published plays and, like perfect service, the technique was so smooth that it evaded me. I might perhaps find it by its absence.

It was a startling experience. These people who submitted plays were often writers well known in other fields, men and women whose names commanded attention in story or article. But when they touched the drama they apparently went wild. They did things that were not only bad play-writing but were bad judgment. They committed absurdities. It was not only that they violated the unities. I rather approve of violating the unities. They violated common sense.

It was apparently not the obsession of stage limitations. Some of them evidently did not know that a stage has any limitations. It was and is not the fear of a mistake in technique. They murdered it with neither fear nor remorse. Why was it? Why is it today? I believe it is psychological. Even ignorance of theatrical fundamentals will not account for the variation between a writer's output for book or magazine and for the stage.

Some one has said that our labor trouble is not only a matter of capital and the workman. It is a three-sided problem of capital, labor and the community. And sometimes I think that the trouble with playwriting is the vision of that third party of the trio of which the author and the actors are two—of the audience. The author is seeing things from two viewpoints at once, his own and that of the smug, critical and apt to be damning crowd beyond the footlights.

He gets astigmatism. Bernard Shaw has it, but it is amusing astigmatism, and we do not mind it.

It is the absence of the single viewpoint that has spoiled so many nearly good plays for us. And that difficulty is psychological. It applies, however, largely to those who have learned at least the rudiments of the art.

There are those who have no way to learn the rudiments of the art, although they have every other mental equipment, including a sincere desire to work and learn.

Now and then I receive letters like this. The writer is in middle life, a lawyer, we will say. He has lived and felt and has grown with the years. The theater appeals to him. He has an idea for a play. Sometimes he sketches it in, although again he may be cautious. I might use it myself!

He has bought a book or two on playwriting. He knows, for instance, that plays consist of introduction, development, crisis and denouement or catastrophe. The books say that the elements of a drama are the ethical, the æsthetic and the technical, and that he must observe certain laws of art, such as perspicuity, proportion, variety, illusion, probability, contrast, etc.

Not a word, you perceive, about which is the right side of the stage, and the left, and that "up stage" does not mean climbing to the flies or "down stage" going through the trapdoor!

These people—for my lawyer correspondent is but a type—these people cannot enter university courses, cannot learn from books, and seem to gain nothing in method from close observation of the play. As a matter of fact such observation develops the critical rather than the constructive faculties. It makes for analysis, not synthesis. It produces critics, not playwrights.

The fact is that playwriting cannot be taught out of a book any more than skating. Various valuable hints can be given. But there is only one way to work for the stage and that is to work with the stage. In other words, one must have had the experience to get the experience. Which is a vicious circle and eats its own tail.

There is, of course, another element which deals not with the amateur but with the professional writer. The manager, often unjustly accused, passes part of the blame on to this individual and is justified in doing so. The drama is a part of the expression of the national life. It should reflect the national life. By its failure to do so it distorts us in the public mind. By our failure even to attempt it we show lack of national spirit.

I wonder!

The rewards of playwriting are to the few. They come not as a reward of merit but as the result of a perfect combination in illusion, a combination of cast, manager, production and play, plus the mind of the audience. Let any one of these factors fail and the illusion is destroyed. For example, writing this today, I am reasonably certain that it will go to the eyes and minds of my audience without change. But suppose I had to see it put in blank verse and recited over a tea table by a lady in jade earings to people who had eaten a heavy dinner and wished to be amused.

The average writer of recognized standing has a market ready for what he writes. He knows what it will bring him in money, and he can tell fairly well how it will be received. He is not dependent on an illusion which may be destroyed by so small a thing as a cat walking onto the stage in a love scene.

For next to the astigmatic psychology of the playwright the drama dies most often by the puncturing of that bubble of illusion. I saw a play killed once by the way the hero ran across the stage in a pair of rubber boots, and I know of a stock company on the Pacific coast which broke up because a Chinaman with a tray of beer steins for the thirsty cast in the wings got onto the stage by mistake.

A perfect illusion! That is, to make love as all the men in the audience would, or wish that they could; to take inchoate and often warring factions and beat them and bully them and praise them and tie them together with a plot and drill them and pray over them and despair about them. And then out of these various materials to create on the opening night a harmonious whole, a play, a perfect illusion. That none may say:

"What's Hecuba to him, or he to Hecuba.

That he should weep for her?"

The stage is not life. It is only like life. But it must appear from across the footlights to be life. It must be painted with broad strokes to allow for perspective. The playwright is a sort of literary mural decorator.

So the writer of reputation may leave the field of certain reward and essay the gymnastic role of the dramatic author, remembering ethics, æsthetics and technics and crisis and proportion and perspicuity and all the rest of it, including the fact that his audience is not sitting down for a mild hour with a book but has put on its best clothes and come out and therefore needs a stimulating reward. And, having labored diligently and observed ethics and so on in a proportion that it would be cruelty to quote, he fails.

And here comes in an element which has discouraged more writers for the stage than anything else. The ignominy of failure.

A book meets success or failure or runs along that middle ground which is neither. Its success is noisy, its failure silent. If it dies it is a peaceful passing away, without violence.

But a play dies shamefully. It is sometimes laughed to death. It is knifed, stabbed, shot and bayoneted by the press. It dies a thousand times. Its shame is made public and partakes of the nature of a general grievance. The theater-going public feels that the author has failed it, has impugned its intelligence, has disappointed and insulted it. It directs its wrath primarily at the author, although he is but one of perhaps five contributing causes.

There can be no plays without authors. But one author after another has retired, not under defeat but under opprobrium. The fact is, of course, that only success lives and that the memory of failure is quickly erased. But the man who has failed remembers.

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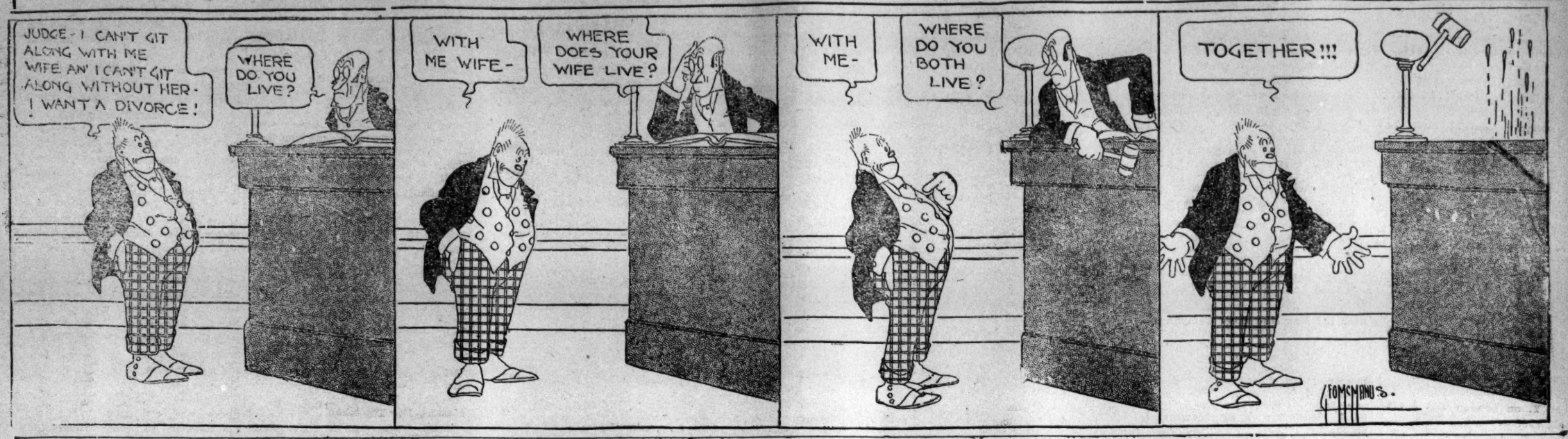
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Glacial Age Will Return In 10,000 Years, Say Noted Scientists

By Garrett P. Serviss

Does science have any line on the physical changes of the earth that may occur in the future, say hundreds of thousands, or millions, of years, judging the future by the past? For example, the temperate zone was once an Arctic region. In what respect is the physical condition of the earth permanently settled, or can you prognosticate any changing tendency for the far, far distant future? I do not mean a slight change, such as "our Winters are not as cold as they used to be," but a change that in the lapse of time would become revolutionary.

YES, science has several "lines" on such changes. But they relate to cumulative changes, not sudden ones, so that the example which you reject—that of a supposed increase of Winter cold, if it were an established fact—would be precisely one of these lines.

The observation of slight changes, provided that they have a progressive character, lies at the basis of scientific investigation. The earth may have had its French Revolution, i. e., sudden and violent, or cataclysmic, changes or subversions, but even they must have been led up to by more gradual preliminary steps, as is the case with all revolutions. If this were not so science would possess no means of making predictions.

Of course, if a long series of sudden catastrophes, all similar in their nature, had occurred in the physical history of the earth, we should feel justified in predicting their continuance, even if we remained ignorant of their cause, just as men were quite right in believing that the sun would continue to rise every morning when their only reason for expecting its rise was the fact that it was never known to have failed.

You speak of the fact that an Arctic climate once prevailed in the temperate zone. Here is one of the earth's physical revolutions on which science "has a line," or rather several lines, although all of them are more or less imperfect and uncertain. The geological record found in the earth's crust shows that there have been a number, many, say six, glacial epochs, when Arctic conditions affected great areas of the northern temperate zone.

The oldest of these generally recognised invasions of the ice does not go back very far in geological time, only some five or six hundred thousand years, but there are indications which have impressed a few investigators with the belief that ice ages have been a recurrent phenomenon in both hemispheres almost from the beginning of geological history, many millions of years ago.

If this long succession of glacial periods were an established fact, it alone would furnish a reason for predicting similar periods in the future, and all the more if the causes of these vast changes were known. One of the causes, I believe, is found in the revolution of the earth's axis around the pole of the ecliptic, which, combined with the eccentricity of the earth's orbit around the sun, periodically lowers the Winter temperature, and at the same time increases the length of the Winter half of the year, first in one hemisphere and then in the other.

At the present time, it is the Northern Hemisphere which enjoys the advantage of having its Winter fall when the earth is near perihelion, i. e., in that part of its orbit which is nearest the sun, the result being that the northern Winter is both warmer and shorter than it would be if it occurred when the earth is in aphelion, or farthest from the sun. On the other hand, the southern Winter, at present, is longer and colder than ours because it occurs with the earth in aphelion.

This state of affairs we know will be reversed in about 10,500 years, when the precession of the equinoxes and the revolution of the line of the apsides will have brought the northern Winter round to the aphelion end of the earth's orbit, while the southern Winter will then occur in perihelion.

The result must be that in about a hundred centuries we shall have a notable change in the climate of the Northern Hemisphere, and possibly a partial recurrence of glacial conditions. This conclusion, I am aware, has been disputed by the late Prof. Simon Newcomb, but if I expected to survive 10,000 years I should certainly make provision for a superabundant supply of coal and of Eskimo furs and blankets, unless I was prepared to move down into the tropics!

According to the well-known theory of Croll, supported by the conclusions of the late Sir Robert Ball, a theory that has never been overthrown in its essential points, the greater—that is to say, the more severe—glacial epochs have corresponded with periods when the eccentricity of the earth's orbit attained a maximum, because at such times the difference between the earth's distance from the sun at perihelion and at aphelion is greatly increased. But the variations of the eccentricity are slow, and also irregular, and now the ecentricity is relatively small, so that extreme results are not to be expected from the approaching reversal described above.

This is one of the lines on the future condition of the earth which we may claim to hold. Another depends primarily upon the changes going on in the sun. According to the generally accepted theory, that great incandescent globe, more than five-sixths of a million miles in diameter, is gradually dissipating its radiant energy.

Newcomb calculated that the sun cannot maintain its present rate of radiation more than about 7,000,000 years, and after that it will rapidly fall off. This means, of course, the ultimate freezing of the earth. There is, however, no certainty about the period of time required for this disastrous change. Conditions about which we know little or nothing, such as the presence of radium in the sun, may greatly extend the solar life.

There are other "lines" on the future which I have not space now to discuss.

The Romance of Surgery

(From Yale-in-China Quarterly)

It is pretty to hear our men and women returning from Changsha tell of the impression made by our surgeon, Dr. Bromwell Branch, when this skilled man struck the wilds of Changsha. As the writer understands it, Drs. Hume and Yen, during their years among the Chinese, have long done surgery and most difficult and varied surgery. They have had to do it often, especially in the early times under the most awkward circumstances and with poor facilities or none at all. The story of Hume's first operation in the street with the patient resting on boxes has often been told. But while they are skilled at the business, they are trained specifically to other lines of the profession and have done it because there was none else to do it.

This man Branch is one of Johns Hopkins' latest—a Southern gentleman, handsome as a Cavalier, one of the most popular men of his time at Baltimore, and skilled to the lancet until the cracks of the faculty could do no more for him. He then topped off with some private practice in Macon, Ga. and on Christmas Day, 1915, after a desperate journey in small boats from Hankow (the steamer not running, due to low water) landed with his bride at the Provincial Capital. There was business awaiting him nevertheless—a number of cases that could not be delayed. The whole staff gathered round—Drs. Hume and Yen, and the foreign trained Chinese physicians, surgeons and nurses attached to the Yali plant on one hospital staff or another.

Branch's technique, they say, was a revelation and a joy for ever; the rapidity, the sure touch, the unerring skill with which this favorite pupil of the great surgeons of Baltimore laid open the tissues, and caught up a muscle here, a nerve there, and protected arteries, and cut out the offense, and bound up the patient—speeding one unconscious Chinaman off as another was brought in to the table—it must have been an impressive spectacle, as it was significant of better days for poor old China. The rapid work of this new comer to Changsha especially commanded attention; the marvellous skill with which any and all situations were dealt with by those wonder-fingers; Fortunate who live within the Yali-zone!

There is to be not one, but a staff of these surgeon-specialists at Yali if the funds are forthcoming. There is one now taking a final year of training in the New Haven Hospital, thanks to Dr. Flint's interest. It is hoped he may be sent out next Fall. He is a Pomona graduate. He studied five years at Cornell. He has been in a San Francisco hospital under the big fellows. He is a third-generation missionary! The young man supported his mother and younger children at carpentry for many summer vacations; and his specialty is bone surgery, the teachers noting that his skill at the trade equips him for fine work at the profession. Somehow as one looks over this deep-chested, clear-eyed youth, it seems as if the Yale man or woman of means who gets the opportunity to finance this worker among the Chinese may enjoy about the choicest emotions these poor human hearts of ours are capable of.

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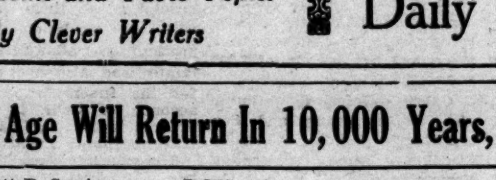

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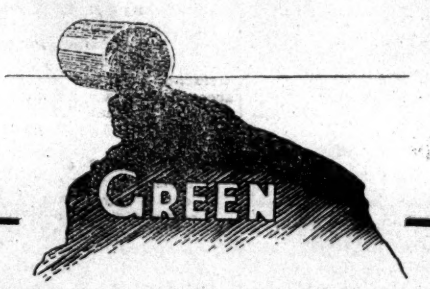

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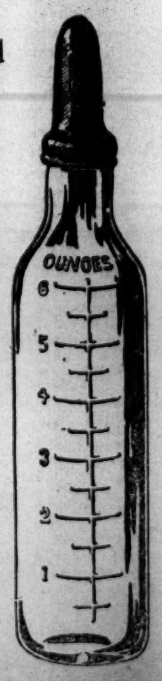

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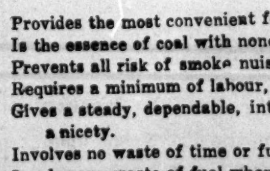

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL NEWS

Exchange and Bullion

Shanghai, December 12, 1916.

Money and Bullion

Gold Dollar Bank's buying rate 84¾ = Tls. 1.18 @ 72.5 = $1.63

	Tls.
Mex. Dollars: Market rate.	72.3
S'hai Gold Bars: 978 touch...	—
Bar Silver	—
Copper Cash	1761
Sovereigns:	
Buying rate @ 3/6—Tls.	5.71
Exch. @ 72.5 = Mex. $	7.88
Peking Bar .....Tls.	307½
Native Interest	.06

Latest London Quotations

Bar Silver	36d.
Bank rate of discount	6%
Market rate of discount:—	
3 m-s.	%
4 m-s.	%
6 m-s.	%
Exchange on Shanghai, 60 d-s.	
Ex., Paris on London ....Fr.	27.80
Ex., N. Y. on London T.T. $	476⅞
Consols £	—

Exchange Closing Quotations

London	T.T.	3-6
London	Demand	3-6⅛
India	T.T.	259½
Paris	T.T.	486½
Paris	Demand	487
New York	T.T.	83⅝
New York	Demand	83½
Hongkong	T.T.	70 nominal
Japan	T.T.	61½
Batavia	T.T.	202½

Bank's Buying Rates

London..nominal 4 m-s. Cdts.	3-7⅛
London.nominal 4 m-s. Docy.	3-7⅛
London..nominal 6 m-s. Cdts.	3-7⅝
London.nominal 6 m-s. Docy.	3-7⅝
Paris .....nominal 4 m-s.	502½
New York ....nominal 4 m-s.	86⅝

CUSTOMS HOUSE RATE OF EXCHANGE FOR DECEMBER

£1 =	Hk. Tls.	5.12
Hk. Tls. 1 =	Francs	5.43
„ „ 1 =	Marks	†4.44
Gold $1 =	Hk. Tls.	1.08
Hk. Tls. 1 =	Yen	1.82
„ „ 1 =	Rupees	2.93
„ „ 1 =	Rouble	3.34
„ „ 1 =	Mex.	$1.50

† Nominal.

Stock Exchange
Transactions

Shanghai, December 12, 1916.

TODAY'S QUOTATIONS

Official

Kungyik Cotton Tls. 15.00
Langkats Tls. 21.50
Shanghai Docks Tls. 90.00 Dec.
Almas Tls. 14.00
Anglo-Javas Tls. 12.00
Bukits Tls. 5.40
Java Consolidated Tls. 23.00 Dec.
Sungei Duri Tls. 11.75
Taipings Tls. 2.50
Tebongs Tls. 25.00
Anglo-Dutch Tls. 6.25
Kochien Tugs Tls. 35.00

Sharebrokers' Association
Transactions

Shanghai, December 12, 1916.

BUSINESS DONE

Official

Tanah Merahs Tls. 1.27½ cash
Shanghai Cottons Tls. 1.20 Dec.
Consolidated Tls. 3.75 cash
Batu Anams Tls. 1.75 cash
Anglo-Javas Tls. 12.00 cash

BETHLEHEM STEEL IS TO SPEND $90,000,000

Amount Will Be Used in New Construction Work and Additions in Next Two Years

New York, November 5.—The Bethlehem Steel Corporation is planning to spend $90,000,000 in new construction work and in additions to existing plants in the next two years. Some details of Bethlehem's expansion became known last summer, after the Pennsylvania Steel Company was bought, but Charles M. Schwab emphasised the scope of the undertaking in a speech made last Thursday at a luncheon given him in St. Louis by the Members' Conference of the Business Men's League. According to The Iron Age Mr. Schwab said:

"In the face of a certain amount of opposition on the part of the Directors of the corporation with which I am affiliated, I have insisted upon spending $90,000,000 within the next two years for improvements, beginning immediately."

It could not be learned yesterday what form the opposition of the Directors took, but it was presumed in the financial district that certain of them thought that Mr. Schwab should be content with moderate increases of facilities which are already large. For ten years the Bethlehem man has been plowing the bulk of earnings back into the property, with the result that net assets applicable to the common stock are considered to be equal to more than $310 per share.

Of the total expenditures planned approximately $50,000,000 will be devoted to the Pennsylvania and Maryland Steel Companies. The crying need for big plates for shipbuilding is expected to bring about the construction of several big rolling mills at Steelton, Penn., which, with new coke ovens and blast furnaces, will require the outlay of $35,000,000. Last August the Bethlehem bought 152 acres of land near the Maryland Steel Company's site, and $10,000,000 all told will be spent to increase the Maryland's output of ships and ship steel.

The home plant at Bethlehem will receive about $20,000,000 in additions and betterments. The company is understood to have orders on hand, including shell contracts amounting to $300,000,000, and the profit this year is estimated at around $60,000,000. Steel men predict that the eighteen months ended June 30, 1917, will show profits amounting to $100,000,000, so it is possible that Mr. Schwab's expansion plans may be carried out entirely from earnings.

When the new work was discussed several months ago it was said in official quarters that the program called for three years' exertions. As Mr. Schwab told the guests at the St. Louis luncheon that two years would suffice, it is plain that the task is to be speeded up.

The Iron Age said that in the course of his address, the steel man predicted that a period of bad times would follow present unprecedented prosperity. Financial depression would come upon the United States in the next five or ten years, he was quoted as saying, which would bring an entire commercial and financial readjustment that would serve to teach the people of this country economy.

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	Prices Nominal	Per picul Tls. Piculs	Week Friday 1st Decr. Piculs
Cowhides, Best selected	Summer Hair	67.50	11,980
	Winter Hair	57.00	
„ Seconds		25.00	
Buffalo hides, No.1 10-60 lbs		20.50	2,424
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Goatskins, Untanned, chiefly white color, average 2lbs, 50% short, 30% med. and 20% long hair; ....(*Pieces*)		155.00	104,187
White China Grass, Wuchang &-or Poochi (Hemp or Ramie		—	1,859
„ Sinshan and-or Chayu „ „		—	
Green China Grass, Szechuen		—	
Jute (Abutilon)		—	
White Vegetable Tallow 51° titre		14.25	2,20
Green Vegetable Tallow, 52° titre		12.50	
Animal Tallow		17.00	2,545
Gallnuts, Usual shape		22.00	1,295
„ Plum „		25.50	
Cotton Lihoo		19.00	27,084
„ Shansi		24.00	
Black Bristles, Riflings	2½" 2¾" 3" 3½" 3¾" 4" 4¼" 4½" 5" 5½" 5¾" 6"	113.00	185
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Sesamum Seed, White		5.60	22,366
„ „ Yellow			
„ „ Red			
„ „ Black			
Yellow Beans		2.30	46,885
*Broad Beans		1.40	
Sesamum Seed Oil		11.50	447
Groundnuts (with shells)		—	—
„ (shelled)		—	14,354
Groundnut Oil		—	—
Wood Oil		11.90	8,057
Tea Oil		12.50	208
Bean Oil		10.00	2,458
Rape Oil		—	98

*Quantities include Beans of all kinds.

FORTY NEW CHEMICALS NOW MADE BY JAPAN

Glycerine, Contraband of War, Being Produced in Large Quantities

Enhanced by the stoppage of European goods the Japanese chemical industry has made vast developments, though greater credit is due to the government taking a sympathetic hand in the industry. Many of them were started with a government subsidy but at present are self-sustaining. To give the conditions of some of the articles:

Artificial Dyes: The product of artifical dyes may be said to have amounted to nothing up to sometime after the outbreak of the war. Before the war, Japan imported what she needed and, according to the statistics in the Department of Agriculture and Commerce the amount of aniline dyes imported in 1913 was 7,362,400 pounds, valued at 4,213,100 yen; that of alizaline dyes, 159,500 pounds, valued at 268,000 yen, artificial indigo 1,653,000 pounds, valued at 3,277,000 yen. The greater portion of the above came from Germany; therefore, when the conflict broke out, the situation in this line received something like a death shock, not limited to Japan alone, but the world over where reliance of such were resorted to Germany. The situation encouraged steps to discover a crux and new plants were established, but incurred many difficulties owing to a lack of theory and practice in the industry.

Aniline Salts Outputs Larger

The Tokio Gas Company and the Mitsui Mining Company which possess large capital, began to improve their products by careful studies. The output of aniline oil and salts has become extremely satisfactory, but the black and brown sulphate dyes though practicable yet are not superior goods.

The Japan Dye Company founded under the Chemical Dyes E courage-ment Act with a capital of 8,000,000 yen have been experimenting on the more important dye-stuffs and is gradually making improvements. The total import of aniline, alizaline, and artificial indigo in 1914 was 1,441,187 pounds, valued at 2,890,600 yen, or one-eighth of the quantity prior to the war and one-third the value.

Drugs Industry Grows

Drugs and Medicines: At the outbreak of the war, the Japanese Government limited the export of drugs and medicines to keep the country in stock and as an encouragement to the manufacture thereof, ordered the Experimental Stations to make investigations. They have made experiments with some success in the manufacture of: Hydrochloric morphine, salicylie bromide, sulphuric atrophine, bromide selts, creosote chloroform, etc. The production of salicylic and carbolic acids are now carried on with success for commercial purposes, but the companies in the manufacture of these goods need further aid of the Government. It is reported that 40 new kinds of chemicals will be producible in Japan for export purposes by the two factories established recently, with a capital of 1,000,000 yen and 5,000,000 yen.

Acetic Acid: The war has caused a rise in the price of vinegar by about 40 per cent but the producers have managed to succeed in this manufacture to such an extent that they are supplying the South Sea market, and even England. Last year the amount exported was 1,110,000 pounds and that for domestic consumption 1,500,000 pounds.

Formalin Output Increased

Formalin: This chemical, too, rose about 40 per cent in price but the Toyo Pharmaceutical Company has managed to make an output, which will be increased to 1,500,000 pounds as soon as its extended plant is completed. This will check all imports of the chemical.

Wood Alcohol: The raw material to the manufacture of formalin wood alcohol is a by-product of the manufacture of wood acetic acid and amounts to an annual output of 300,000 pounds. This can only supply 400,000 pounds of formalin output, but with the reform in the method of manufacture the product can be increased.

Glycerine Factories Go Up

Glycerine: Being contraband goods, the import of the same was prohibited by the producing countries at the outbreak of the war. The Japan Glycerine Company, 3,000,000 yen capital, when its plant is completed will be able to put forth 1,500 tons of refined glycerine. At present it has 500 tons annual output and the enterprise has bright prospects.

Glass: The export to Australia, South Sea, to all parts of Asia and to England of glass and glass wares has given an activity to this industry paralleled by no previous records. The demand for pane-glass is great since the stoppage from the German and Belgian source, and the Asahi Glass Factory has managed to put out a quality which is exportable. It is at present enlarging its plant as to be able to produce 700,000 boxes. The manufacture of thick pane glass too is being experimented upon. The Union Glass Company has met some success towards this end.

Celluloid Markets Captured

Celluloid: The manufacture of this article, too, was cut short since Germany's export was stopped. Japan is now supplying England, France, Russia, Australia, South Seas, India, and China. The manufacture of celluloid articles too is brisk, the amount in 1914 being 3,000,000 yen, double that prior to the war.

Papers: The manufacture of paper has developed; the output, too, has increased. Parafine and parchment papers, too, are now producible.

Pulps: Ground pulp was satisfactory from domestic products, but sulphite pulp was unavailable, so an annual import of 40,000 tons was necessary. The new pulp companies now about to operate will make our paper industry satisfy with domestic products.

Such are the improvements in the industrial world of Japan. There are numerous other industries which have received an impetus from the situation of the times.

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Yesterday's Prices

STOCK	Quotations Closing
Banks	
H. K. and S. B.	$670 S.
Chartered	£59 10s.
Russo-Asiatic	R. 250.
Cathay, ordy	Tls. 4.30 B.
Cathay, pref.	Tls. 6
Marine Insurances	
Canton	$400
North China	Tls. 152½
Union of Canton	$945.
Yangtsze	$257½
Fire Insurances	
China Fire	$160
Hongkong Fire	$375
Shipping	
Indo-China Pref.	Tls. 128
Indo-China Def.	
"Shell"	106s.
Shanghai Tug (o)	Tls. 18½
Shanghai Tug (f)	Tls. 50
Kochien	Tls. 30 B.
Mining	
Kaiping	Tls. 10¼
Oriental Cons.	29s. 3d.
Philippine	Tls. 1.
Raub	$2¾
Docks	
Hongkong Dock	$133
Shanghai Dock	Tls. 90 B.
New Eng. Works	Tls. 13 S.
Wharves	
Shanghai Wharf	Tls. 80 S.
Hongkong Wharf	$84 B.
Lands and Hotels	
Anglo-French Land	Tls. 92
China Land	Tls. 50
Shanghai Land	Tls. 86 S.
Weihaiwei Land	Tls. 3.
Jentral Stores	$8½ B.
China Realty (ord.)	Tls. 50.
China Realty (pref.)	Tls. 50.
Cotton Mills	
E-wo	Tls. 155 B.
E-wo Pref.	Tls. 105
International	Tls. 67½
International Pref.	Tls. 75
Laou-kung-mow	Tls. 80
Oriental	Tls. 44
Shanghai Cotton	Tls. 117 B.
Kung Yik	Tls. 15 Sa.
Yangtszepoo	Tls. 6½
Yangtszepoo Pref.	Tls. 101
Industrials	
Butler Tile	Tls. 23
China Sugar	$128 S.
Green Island	$12.10 Sa.
Langkats	Tls. 21½ Sa.
Major Bros.	Tls. 5
Shanghai Sumatra	Tls. 165
Stores	
Hall and Holtz	$15 B.
Llewellyn	$60
Lane, Crawford	$90
Moutrie	$35
Watson	$6¾ B.
Weeks	$18
Rubbers (Local)	
Alma	Tls. 14 B.
Amherst	Tls. 1½
Anglo-Java	Tls. 12 B.
Anglo-Dutch	Tls. 6¼ B.
Ayer Tawah	Tls. 37½ B.
Batu Anam 1913	Tls. 1¾ B.
Bukit Toh Alang	Tls. 5¼ B.
Bute	Tls. 1.70 B.
Chemor United	Tls. 1¾ B.
Chempedak	Tls. 16.
Cheng	Tls. 3¼ B.
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Dominion	Tls. 13½ B.
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Java Consolidated	Tls. 23 Sa.
Kamunting	Tls. 6¼ B.
Kapala	Tls. 1.10.
Kapayang	Tls. 30½
Karan	Tls. 16.
Kota Bahroes	Tls. 11 B.
Kroewoek Java	Tls. 21 B.
Padang	Tls. 14 B.
Pengkalan Durian	Tls. 10¼
Permata	Tls. 4 B.
Repah	Tls. 1.40 B.
Samagagas	Tls. 1.05 B.
Seekee	Tls. 8¾.
Semambu	Tls. 1.60 B.
Senawang	Tls. 16 B.
Shanghai Klebang	Tls. 1.15 B.
Shanghai Malay	Tls. 7½ B.
S'hai Malay-Pref.	Tls. 13.
Shanghai Pahang	Tls. 1¾ B.
Sungala	Tls. 1.60 B.
Sungei Duri	Tls. 11¾ B.
Sua Manggis	Tls. 6 B.
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Shanghai Seremban	Tls. 1.10
Taiping	Tls. 2½ B.
Tanah Merah	Tls. 1.17½ B.
Tebong	Tls. 25 Sa.
Ulobri	Tls. 1¾ B.
Ziangbe	Tls. 6½ B.
Miscellaneous	
C. I. and E. Lumber	Tls. 110
Culty Dairy	Tls. 10 S.
S'hai Elec. and Asb.	$2
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LANGKAT DAILY OUTPUT

The following telegraphic information has been received by the general agent from the Sumatra director and manager of the Maatschappij tot Mijn-Bosch-en Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat: "The output of crude oil for December 11 was 102 tons."

4 NORWAY BANKERS IN U.S. TO PAY BILLS OF MANY MILLIONS

One Item Alone of $200,000,000 For Ships Built For Norwegians

New York, October 24.—Four Norwegian bankers arrived here yesterday on the Norwegian-American liner Bergensfjord. They were Trygve Barth of Bergen and Knut Bachke, Emil Sophus Dahl and Gustav Kamstrup Hegge of Christiania. Mr. Dahl said:

"We are here individually to better the financial arrangements between Norway and the United States. Immense purchases by Norwegians have been made in the United States since the war started and they must be paid for. There is one item alone of $200,000,000 for ships in this country for Norwegians. Then there have been purchases of railroad stocks, iron and steel. Norway has been obliged to buy in this country many things she formerly bought in Germany."

Masters For The Ships

There were seven Norwegian steamship masters on the Bergensfjord who will take over the vessels built in this country for various Norwegian firms. Capt. Hjalmar T. Bryde is going to Seattle to look after seven vessels of 9,000 tons each built there and two vessels of 7,000 tons each built in San Francisco.

Capt. Gabriel Hofgaard, formerly with the William Cramp and Son Ship and Engine Building Company of Philadelphia, came representing four Norwegian shipbuilders to take over four 8,800 ton vessels being built in Philadelphia, Portland, Ore., and Seattle.

Capt. Ole Fred Hansen is on his way to Japan to take over steamships purchased there by Norwegians. His wife and daughter are travelling with him.

Capt. Hofgaard said that Norwegians do not believe there can be any slump in shipping for a year after the war, even if it should be abruptly terminated.

Mme. Frieda Hempel of the Metropolitan Opera Company came from Berlin. She said the German women are becoming thinner because of the shortage of food and that her father, when the new wool cards came out in Germany, had to run around a whole day getting a card punched before he could buy a pair of trousers.

'Germany Wants Peace'

"Germany wants peace," she said, "because it has become impossible to achieve a decisive engagement, and she believes the allies cannot break through. So the affairs have come to a deadlock. Germany is not afraid of the result of the war, but feels it fruitless to go on."

Mme. Hempel said the Berlin theaters were full and big salaries were paid. She is going to sing in Bridgeport tonight and go on a short concert tour.

Miss Olga Frohman, the Russian dancer, came to join the Russian ballet at the Manhattan Opera House. Her sister, Margaret, came with her.

Bruno Cittandini, the Argentine Consul General at Petrograd, who also came, said he would boom Pan-Americanism on his way back to Argentina.

Edward G. Lowry of the American Embassy in London returned on the American liner Kroonland from Liverpool for a vacation. Mrs. Lowry and their son, Edward, accompanied him.

Both the Bergensfjord and the Kroonland reported that they had encountered the gales that swept the Atlantic last week. Seas swept them almost continuously until Friday afternoon. The American liner New York, due early yesterday morning, did not reach Quarantine until last night. She will dock about 7 o'clock this morning.

Capt. Irgens of the Bergensfjord said it was so stormy when he arrived off Kirkwall, England, to put in there for British inspection, he was unable to get into the harbor for twelve hours.

At Kirkwall 739 bags of mail, much of it from Germany, was taken from the Norwegian liner, together with seven bags of Norwegian parcel post which had been certified by the Norwegian Government.

The Bergensfjord brought 1,034 passengers, 112 first class, 238 second class and 684 third class. The Kroonland had fifty first cabin, 137 second cabin and fifty-one steerage passengers.

Obituary

Mr. B. Goldsmith

Friends of Mr. A. S. Goldsmith will regret to learn that he has received a cablegram bringing news of the death, suddenly, in San Francisco, of his father, Mr. B. Goldsmith. Deceased was 72 years old.

A 'Xmas Suggestion

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Presidential Mandates

The Mandates of December 10th contained the following:—

1.—Chang Ming-chi is granted the Grand Cordon of the 1st Class order of Chiaho.

2.—Tang Yin, the former President of the Bank of China, Tan Hsueh-kwei, a Major-General, Wong Kwang-lin, formerly the Director of the Board of Police of Kwangtung, Tsen Pai-tse, the Chairman of Merchants' Volunteer Corps at Canton, Lo Chung-ming, a Commander of the Hukuochun and Tso Hsiao-fan, a Taotai in the Taching era, have been killed at the Haichu island in Canton, while on State business, which is very lamentable, and we have ordered the Department of the Army to investigate into the actual state of affairs which caused their death and they should be granted special posthumous allowances. Tang Chi-jao, the Military Governor of Yunnan, Tsen Chun-hsuan and Liang Chi-chiao have also asked by wire that the families of the said late Tang Yin and others be granted allowances and we ordered the circumstances to be investigated. Now the said Department of the Army has sent in the reports on the circumstances and we hereby grant them in accordance with the regulations of the army posthumous allowance to their family and also special allowances for the funeral expenses and the account of their lives is hereby ordered to be compiled by the State Historiographer's Office.

The said late Tang Yin and others tried their best to save the situation and their motives and conduct were excellent and in the critical situation of the State they did not hesitate to sacrifice their lives under the most dangerous circumstances and they did actually sacrifice themselves in their prime of life which makes us feel quite impressed and therefore their history is ordered to be compiled by the State Historiographer's Office to show their patriotism. All the other matters are also ordered to be carried out as required.

3.—Wang Hung-yu, a Councillor of the Cabinet, was a person with learning and a man of thoughtfulness and he engaged in State affairs with great merit and now we hear of his death and feel deeply sorrowful and therefore we hereby grant $1,000 towards his funeral expenses and we order the Cabinet to grant him posthumous allowances.

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Reserve Fund 1,800,000
Reserve Liability of Shareholders 1,200,000

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Siccawei Weather Report

11.—The northern depression advances towards the Sea of Japan, across Manchuria. The barometric maximum remains astride the Mean Yangtze-Cyclonic circulation around the depression. Moderate monsoon to the S of the Saddles.

12.—Overcast weather with mist, at Shanghai. Pressure nearly normal. Light W.N.W. breezes.

Meteorological Readings

Tuesday, December 12, 1916.

WEATHER.	4 a.m.	9 a.m.
Bar. at Centg., mm	769.48	770.54
" inches	30.29	30.35
Variation mm. for 24h	†0.76	†1.10
Variation mm. for 12.h	†0.37	†0.19
Wind Direction	WNW	NW
Wind Kilom per hour	11	20
Wind Miles	6.8	12.4
Temperature Cen.	4°2	4°4
Temperature Fahr	39.6	39.9
Humidity: co	78	74
Nebulosity: 5-10	10	10
Rainfall mm	—	—
Rainfall inches	—	—

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GENERAL SHIPPING NEWS

Future Sailings

FOR AMERICA AND CANADA

Date	Time	Destination	Ship's Name	Flag	Agents
Dec 15	5.00	San Francisco	Venezuela	Am.	P.M.S.S.Co.
" 16	11.00*	San Fancisco	Siberia maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
" 19	A.M.	Boston & New York	Kurymedon	Br.	B. & S.
" 22	P.M.	San Francisco	Tenyo maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
" 24	6.00*	Seattle, Victoria etc.	Tamba maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 30	P.M.	Vancouver B.C.	Empress of Russia	Br.	C. P. O. S.
Jan 2	P.M.	San Francisco	Ecuador	Am.	P. M. S. S. Co.
" 7	P.M.	San Francisco	Nippon maru	Jap.	T. K. K.
" 8	noon	Seattle, Victoria etc.	Shidzuoka maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 13	P.M.	Vancouver B. C.	Empress of Japan	Br.	C.P.O.S.
" 19	P.M.	San Francisco	Shinyo maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.

FOR JAPAN PORTS

Dec 14	A.M.	Kobe & Osaka	Kasuga maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 15	5.00	Kobe, Yokohama	Venezuela	Am.	P. M. S. S. Co.
" 15	3.00	Nagasaki	Poltava	Rus.	R.V.F.
" 16	A.M.	Yokohama	Novara	Br.	P. & O.
" 16	A.M.	Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe	Omi Maru	Jap.	N. Y. K
" 16	11.00*	Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama	Siberia maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
" 19	A.M.	Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe	Chikugo maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 20	A.M.	Kobe, Yokohama	Suwa maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 21	A.M.	Kobe & Osaka	Kumano maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 23	A.M.	Yokohama	Somali	Br.	P. & O.
" 22	P.M.	Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama	Tenyo maru	Jap.	A. T. Co.
" 23	A.M.	Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe	Yawata maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 24	A.M.	Kobe, Yokohama	Tamba maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 30	P.M.	Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama	Empress of Russia	Br.	C. P. O. S.
Jan 8	noon	Kobe, Yokohama	Shidzuoka maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.

FOR EUROPE, INDIA, STRAITS, ETC.

Dec 14	D.L.	Liverpool via Cape	Oanfa	Br.	B. & S.
" 15	A.M.	Marseilles etc.	Amazone	Fr.	Cie M. M.
" 17	D.L.	Liverpool via Cape	Ningchow	Br.	B. & S.
" 17	D.L.	London via Cape	Keemun	Br.	B. & S.
" 20	P.M.	Genoa, London etc.	Glenifer	Br.	Glen Line
" 22	D.L.	London via Cape	Peleus	Br.	B. & S.
" 24	9.00*	London via Hongkong etc	Kamo maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 25	A.M.	Marseilles, London via Suez	Novara	Br.	P. & O.
" 27	D.L.	Liverpool	Eurypylus	Br.	B. & S.
" 31	1.30	London via Hongkong etc	Kashima maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
Jan 3	D.L.	London via Cape	Teucer	Br.	B. & S.
" 6	A.M.	Marseilles etc.	Armand Behic	Fr.	Cie M. M.
" 7	A.M.	London etc.	Mishima maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 8	A.M.	Marseilles, London via Suez	Somali	Br.	P. & O.
" 17	D.L.	London via Cape	Phemius	Br.	B. & S.
" 22	A.M.	Marseilles, London via Suez	Nyanza	Br.	P. & O.

FOR SOUTHERN PORTS

Dec 13	noon	Hongkong, Canton	Hanyang	Br.	B. & S.
" 13	A.M.	Hongkong	Hsinchang	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.
" 13	A.M.	Hongkong, Canton	Taishun	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co
" 13	D.L.	Hongkong, Canton	Chenan	Br.	B. & S.
" 14	D.L.	Amoy, Hongkong, Canton	Sinkiang	Br.	B. & S.
" 14	A.M.	Canton direct	Hsinfung	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 15	D.L.	Swatow, Hongkong	Hoihow	Br.	B. & S.
" 17	D.L.	Hongkong, Canton	Sunning	Br.	B. & S.
" 18	7.00*	Hongkong via Manila	Ecuador	Am.	P.M.S.S. Co.
" 18	5.00	Hongkong	Nippon maru	Jap.	T. K. K.
" 19	D.L.	Hongkong, Canton	Luchow	Br.	B. & S.
Jan 2	..	Hongkong	Empress of Japan	Br.	C. P. O. S.

FOR NORTHERN PORTS

Dec 13	D.L.	Haichow, Eching	Hunan	Br.	B. & S.
" 13	D.L.	Chefoo, Dalny	Yochow	Br.	B. & S.
" 14	A. M.	Chefoo direct	Toonan	Chi.	C. M. S. N. Co.
" 15	D.L.	Haichow, Eching	Chinkiang	Br.	B. & S.
" 15	1.30	Tsingtao and Dalny	Kobe maru	Jap.	S. M. R.
" 15	3.00	Vladivostock	Poltava	Rus.	R. V. F.
" 16	10.00*	Weihaiwei, Chefoo, Tientsin	Shuntien	Br.	B. & S.
" 16	10.0.*	Weihaiwei, Chefoo, Tientsin	Tungchow	Br.	B. & S.

FOR RIVER PORTS

Dec 13	P.M.	Ichang & Shasi	Kweilee	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.
" 13	M.N.	Hankow etc.	Siangyang maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 13	M.N.	do	Kiangyung	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 13	M.N.	do	Tasung	Br.	B. & S.
" 14	M.N.	do	Kutwo	Br.	J. M. & Co.
" 14	M.N.	do	Kiangyu	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 15	M.N.	do	Luenyi	Br.	B. & S.
" 15	M.N.	do	Tafoo maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 15	M.N.	do	Tuckwo	Br.	J.M. & Co.
" 16	M.N.	do	Poyang	Br.	B. & S.
" 16	M.N.	do	Nanyang maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 17	M.N.	do	Kiangkwan	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.
" 17	M.N.	do	Tachi maru	Jap.	N. K. K.
" 19	M.M.	do	Tungting	Br.	B. & S.

*A.M. M.N.—Midnight. D.L.—Daylight.

Arrivals

Date	From	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents	Berth
Dec 12	Ningpo	Kiangteen	2012	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.	KLYW
Dec 12	Japan	Nagasaki maru	378	Jap.		
Dec 12	Japan	Kanju maru		Jap.		
Dec 12	Wenchow	Poochi	631	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	KLYW
Dec 12	Swatow	Esang	1127	Br.	J.M. & Co.	SHW
Dec 12	Swatow	Toonan	942	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	KLYW
Dec 2	Hongkong	Tjimanoek	49 1	Du.	J. C. J. L.	SHW
Dec 12		Hunan	1[illegible]3	Br.	B. & S.	WTW
Dec 12	Hongkong	Athos		Fr.	Cie M. M.	SMRW
Dec 12	Hongkong	Teucer	8650	Br.	B. & S.	BX
Dec 12	Hongkong	Kwongsang	1437	Br.	J. M. & Co	SHW
Dec 12	Swatow	Hoihow	896	Br.	B. & S.	WTW
Dec 12	Hankow	Kutwo	924	Br.	J. M. & Co.	SHW
Dec 12	Hankow	Tafoo maru	1756	Jap.	N.K.K.	LPDW
Dec 12	Hankow	Kiangyu	1490	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	KLYW
Dec 12	Hankow	Tungwo	961	Br.	J. M. & Co.	BJ

Departures

Date	For	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents
Dec 12	Dalny	Sakaki maru	1346	Jap.	S. M. R.
" 12	Marseilles, London via Suez	Nankin	5850	Br.	P. & O.
" 12	Hankow etc.	Changon	1269	Br.	Geddes & Co.
" 12	Foochow	Haean	1839	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 12	Tsingtao and Dalny	Isshin maru	841	Jap.	S.M.R.
" 12	Hongkong Canton	Kiukiang	1238	Br.	B. & S.
" 12	Japan	Namsang	2591	Br.	J. M. & Co.
" 12	Chinwangtao direct	Proteus	1025	Nor.	K.M.A.
" 12	Hankow etc.	Suiwo	1[illegible]61	Br.	J. M. & Co.
" 12	Hankow etc.	Tachang maru	1389	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 12	New York via Panama	Tsushima maru	4193	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 12	Swatow, Hongkong, Canton	Wingsang	1517	Br.	J. M. & Co.
" 12	Hankow etc.	Wuchang	1719	Br.	B. & S.
" 12	Japan	Yamashiro maru	2236	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 12		Koonshing	3233	Br.	J. M. & Co.
" 12	Ningpo, Wenchow	Kwangchi	314	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.
" 12	Ningpo	Kiangteen	2012	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.

Men-of-War In Port

Section	Date	From	Name	Flag and Rating	Tons	Guns	Men	Commander
B H	Dec. 2	Cruise	Brooklyn	Am cru.	9215	20	568	Day
P 4 O B I	Oct. 16	Cruise	Galveston	Am cru.	3200	18	309	Kellogg
Y T P D	Nov. 20	Cruise	Helena	Am g-b.	1392	8	159	Brotherson
8 p.	Nov. 8	Cruise	Monocacy	Am g-b.	190	2	47	Career
	Dec. 10	Cruise	Samar	Am g-b.	243	6	29	King

The French gunboats D. de Lagree and Decidee, the Japanese gunboats Fushimi, Sumida and Toba, and the British gunboat Woodlark are not included in this list, being dismantled.

Vessels Loading

For River Ports

ICHANG and Shasi.—The Str. Kwielee, Capt. J. Banett, will leave on Wednesday night. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Str. Kiangyung, Capt. Wm. McIllwain, will leave on Wednesday night. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Co.'s Str. Siangyang Maru, Capt J. A. Scott, will be despatched from N.Y.K. Wharf on Wednesday, Dec. 13 at about 12 o'clock midnight. This steamer has extra spacious Staterooms (electri fans fitted). European food of the best cuisine is provided. The last steam launch will leave Canton Road jetty at 11 p.m. For Freight and Passage apply to The Nisshin Kisen Kaisha, No. 5 The Bund. Tel. No. 3256.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Co.'s Str. Tafoo Maru, Captain Y. Ikeda, will b edespatched from the Pootung N.K.K. Wharf on Friday, December 15 at about 12 o'clock midnight. This steamer has extra spacious Staterooms (electric fans fitted). European food of the best cuisine is provided. The last steam launch will leave Canton Road jetty at 11 p.m. For Freight and Passage apply to The Nisshin Kisen Kaisha, No. 5 The Bund. Tel. No. 3256.

For Southern Ports

HONGKONG.—The Str. Hsinchang, Capt. Wm. Munro, will leave on Wednesday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

HONGKONG and CANTON.—The Str. Taishun, Capt. C. Westerlund, will leave on Wednesday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

CANTON DIRECT.—The Str. Hsinfung, Capt. F. H. Hamblin, will leave on Thursday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

HONGKONG.—The s.s. Nippon Maru on Monday, December 18. The tender conveying passengers and mails will leave the Customs jetty at 5 p.m. For passage apply to The American Trading Company.

For Northern Ports

CHEFOO DIRECT.—The Str. Toonan, Capt. Taylor, will leave on Thursday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C. M. S. N. Co.

For Foreign Ports

SAN FRANCISCO via NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU.—The s.s. Siberia Maru will leave on Saturday, December 16. Passengers booked to all, points in America, and ports in Great Britain and Europe. The tender conveying passengers and mails will leave the Customs jetty at 11 a.m. For freight or passage apply to The American Trading Company.

For Japan

NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.—The s.s. Siberia Maru will leave on Saturday, December 16. Passengers booked to all, points in America, and ports in Great Britain and Europe. The tender conveying passengers and mails will leave the Customs jetty at 11 a.m. For freight or passage apply to The American Trading Company.

Shipping Items

The I.-C. s.s. Kutwo left Hankow for Shanghai on Sunday.

The C.N. s.s. Anhui left Hongkong for Shanghai on Sunday.

The C.N. s.s. Shuntien left Tientsin for Shanghai via Chefoo and Weihaiwei on Sunday.

The K.M.A. s.s. Patriot (chartered), left Chinwangtao for Shanghai on Monday.

The I.-C. s.s. Wosang left Swatow for Shanghai on Sunday.

The C.M. s.s. Toonan left Foochow for Shanghai on Sunday.

The I.-C. s.s. Tuckwo left Hankow for Shanghai on Monday.

The C.N. s.s. Luenyi left Hankow for Shanghai on Monday.

The N.K.K. s.s. Nanyang Maru left Hankow for Shanghai on Monday.

The H.O. s.s. Tehhsing left Hankow for Shanghai on Monday.

The I.-C. s.s. Kingsing will leave Tientsin for Shanghai via Chefoo and Weihaiwei today.

The Blue Funnel s.s. Eurymedon will leave Hongkong for Shanghai today.

The C.M. s.s. Hsinchi left Tientsin for Shanghai direct yesterday.

The C.M. s.s. Kiangkwan left Hankow for Shanghai yesterday.

The C.N. s.s. Poyang left Hankow for Shanghai yesterday.

The C.M. s.s. Kiangwah will leave Hankow for Shanghai today.

The N.K.K. s.s. Tachi Maru left Hankow for Shanghai yesterday.

The N.K.K. s.s. Talee Maru will leave Hankow for Shanghai today.

The C.N. s.s. Luchow left Hongkong for Shanghai yesterday.

The I.-C. s.s. Choysang left Hongkong for Shanghai yesterday.

The I.-C. s.s. Loongwo will leave Hankow for Shanghai tomorrow.

The C.N. s.s. Tungting will leave Hankow for Shanghai tomorrow.

The T.K.K. s.s. Siberia Maru for San Francisco via Japan ports and Honolulu, is appointed to sale from Hongkong today, and may therefore be expected to arrive at Woosung at 6 a.m. on Saturday, the 16th instant. She will be despatched as above on Saturday, the 16th instant, and the tender conveying passengers on board will leave the Customs jetty at 11 a.m. on the same day.

The M.M. s.s. Armand Behic with the French mail of November 12, left Singapore for Shanghai on Sunday, December 10, and may be expected to arrive at Woosung on Saturday, the 23rd instant, and at Shanghai (South Manchuria Railway Co.'s Whangpoo Wharf) on the same day. Due at Saigon yesterday.

The N.Y.K. Yokohama-Shanghai line s.s. Omi Maru, with mail left Nagasaki for Shanghai on Monday, December 11, and may be expected to arrive at N.Y.K. Wharf today morning. She will be despatched for Nagasaki on Saturday, December 16.

The C.N. s.s. Sunning left Hongkong for Shanghai on Sunday.

Passengers Arrived

Per P. & O. s.s. Nankin from London:—Mr. R. M. Bruce, Miss and master Bruce, Mrs. and Miss Glasson, Mr. S. Kondo, Mr. Sellers, Mr. Christoff, Mr. W. Taggart, Mr. Fan Ching-tong, Mr. Yang Tih-foo.

Per I.-C. s.s. Kwoongsang from Canton:—Mr. A. Milio Gandiossi. From Hongkong:—Mr. J. J. Gact.

Per M.M. s.s. Athos from Colombo:—Mrs. E. G. Samson. From Singapore:—Messrs. W. A. Brooks and H. J. Friun. From Haiphong:—Mrs. Gaussin and Mrs. Geney and child. From Hongkong:—Mrs. D. Pet R. Broun, Mrs. J. Lewis Mr. Doll, Mr. R. Flack, Mr. A. Kalos and Mr. Fam Xan Ng. From Marseilles:—Messrs. Caron and Petist.

Per C.M. s.s. Pooch from Wenchow:—Mr. Stark Toller and Mr. Hykes.

Passengers Departed

Per P. & O. s.s. Nankin for London:—Mr. J. Macfarlane, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Wilkinson, Miss P. Wilkinson (age 5 years), Infant (under 3 years), and Nurse (Miss Butler). Mr. E. Aitken, Mr. and Mrs. Craig, Miss E. Craig, Miss C. Craig, Master J. Craig. For Colombo:—Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Ferguson. Miss Ferguson, Two infants and Ayah. Mr. J. R. Young, Mr. E. W. Lane. For Singapore:—Mr. F. C. Van Heurn, Mr. Larsen, Mr. Samuelson, Miss E. A. Buyers, Mrs. A. Buyers, Mr. G. A. Walker, Mr. D. G. Bellamore, Mrs. L. Dowdall, Mr. R. P. Johnson. For Hongkong:—Mr. F.D. Silas, Mrs. Michael, infant and native servant, Mrs. H.S. Howard and Amah, Mr. F. W. G. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Van der Briel, Mrs. Wong Yue Chew, Mr. Shang Zung Chow, and Native servant, Miss Li Tsing Chow (age 8 years) Mrs. Tsing Ching Woo and Amah, Mr. and Mrs. Collins, Mr. W. Bunkerr, Count Malynski, Mr. A. D. Popoff, Mr. A. K. Mitkewitch-Joltno, Mr. Gundersen, Mr. Byrne.

Launch Services

TODAY

The launch conveying passengers to the N.K.K. s.s. Siangyang Maru will leave the Canton Road jetty at 11 p.m.

TOMORROW

The tender Whangpoo conveying passengers and mails to the M.M. s.s. Amazone will leave the M.M. jetty at 6 and 10 p.m.

Vessels In Harbor And At Woosung

Arrived	From	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents	Berth
Nov 14	Hankow	Albenga	2769	Ger.	Carlowitz	YWGW
Nov 9	Hongkong	Alma	1150	Br.	J. M. & Co.	YTPD
Dec 9	Japan	Asoean maru	1221	Jap.	M. B. K.	MBKW
Aug 4	Hongkong	Bohemia	4282	Aus.	Aus. Lloyd	B VII
Nov 30	New York	Brinkburn	3633	Br.	D. & Co.	YTPD
Dec 7	Japan	Banseigen maru	886	Jap.	Suzuki	MBKW
Aug 5	Hongkong	China	3868	Aus.	Aus. Lloyd	B XIII
Nov 28	Singapore	Cassis	3006	Br.	A.P. Co.	NGLB
Dec 3	Dalny	Chelan maru	1007	Jap.	M. B. K.	MBKW
Dec 11		Chinkiang	1292	Br.	B. & S.	WTW
Aug 8	Hongkong	D. Rickmers	2651	Ger.	H. D. & Co	USA
Nov 26	New York	Eupleotela	3506	Br.	A. S. P. Co.	APCUW
Dec 11	Hongkong	Eurybates	3507	Br.	B. & S.	HWYK
Dec 27	Nanking	Fortuna	182	Ger.	H. D. & Co	10 p
Dec 11	Japan	Fuyo maru	757	Jap.	Satoh Shokai	
Nov 21	Tientsin	Hsinchang	1258	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	TKDD
Dec 11	Chefoo	Hsinfung	1385	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.	KLYW
Dec 11		Hanyang	1207	Br.	B. & S.	WTW
May 28	Hankow	Kinling	2511	Br.	B. & S.	Int.D
Nov 21	Hankow	Kweilee	879	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.	CMPW
Nov 28	Chefoo	Kungping	1742	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.	YKDW
Dec 9	Japan	Kaiko maru	957	Jap.	M. B. K.	TKDLW
Dec 11	Japan	Kasuga maru	2387	Jap.	N. Y. K.	WSW
Dec 11	Hankow	Kiangyung	1451	Chi.	C.M.S. N.Co.	KLYW
Nov 18	Hankow	Lienhua	366	Br.	J. M. & Co	ONW
July 16	Hankow	Meidah	1682	Ger.	Melchers	NGLB 1
July 30	Hankow	Meilee	1682	Ger.	Melchers	NGLB 1
Dec 2	Hankow	Melan	416	Am.	S. Oil Co.	SOCW
Dec 3	Hankow	Meiloo	406	Am.	S. Oil Co	SOCW
Dec 6	Wakamatzu	Mateu maru	1211	Jap.	M. B. Co.	TKDLW
Dec 11	Hongkong	Manila maru	6032	Jap.	A. T. Co.	
Dec 11	Japan	Oanfa	5818	Br.	B. & S.	B X
July 30	Tsingtao	Sikiang	1840	Ger.	H. A. L.	9 p
July 30	Hongkong	Silesia	3319	Aus.	Aus. Lloyd	B IX
Dec 10	Chinwangtao	Shinfoo	1323	Chi.	K. M. A.	KMAW
Dec 11	Chinwangtao	Sishan	1290	Rus.	K. M. A.	KMAW
Dec 11	Hongkong	Sinkiang	1616	Br.	B. & S.	WTW
Dec 11	Hankow	Siangyang maru	2225	Jap.	N.K.K.	NVKW
Dec 11	Japan	Saishu maru	1215	Jap.		WSW
Dec 4	Swatow	Thode Fagelund	4137	Nor.	Arnold	BVI
Dec 6	Japan	Tokio maru	2196	Jap.	Satoh Shokai	CMEW
Dec 8	Hankow	Tungting	1264	Br.	B. & S.	CNW
Dec 9	Amoy	Taishun	1216	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.	KLYW
Dec 11	Hankow	Tatung	1882	Br.	B. & S.	CNW
Dec 10	Eching	Yochow	1306	Br.	B. & S.	WTW

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1917		MONTEAGLE	18 April
EMPRESS OF JAPAN	13 Jan.	EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	12 May
MONTEAGLE	7 Feb.	EMPRESS OF JAPAN	26 May
EMPRESS OF ASIA	17 Feb.	EMPRESS OF ASIA	9 June
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	17 Mar.	MONTEAGLE	27 June
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"	"SHINYO MARU"	22,000 "	"	19	"
"	"PERSIA MARU"	9,000 "	"	30	"
"	"KOREA MARU"	18,000 "	Feb.	13	"
"	"SIBERIA MARU"	18,000 "	Mar.	1	"
"	"TENYO MARU"	22,000 "	"	9	"
"	"NIPPON MARU"	11,000 "	"	23	"
"	"SHINYO MARU"	22,000 "	April	5	"
"	"PERSIA MARU"	9,000 "	"	19	"
"	"KOREA MARU"	18,000 "	May	1	"
"	"SIBERIA MARU"	18,000 "	"	15	"
"	"TENYO MARU"	22,000 "	"	26	"
"	"NIPPON MARU"	11,000 "	June	8	"
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The Senawang Rubber Estates Company, Limited.

The Directors of the above named Company have declared a Second Interim Dividend of 8% equal to FORTY Tael Cents per share—payable on and after the 21st December, 1916, to shareholders on record on that date.

Notice is hereby given that the Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 15th to 21st December, 1916, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

HUGO REISS & CO.

Secretaries & General Managers,

Shanghai, 7th December, 1916.

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Consolidated Rubber Estates (1914), Limited.

Incorporated under the Hongkong Ordinances.

The Directors of the above Company have declared a second interim dividend at the rate of 16 per cent (which equals 12 Tael cents per share) on the Capital of the Company, payable on and after the 20th December, 1916, to shareholders on record at that date.

Notice is hereby given that the Share Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 13th December to the 20th December, 1916, both days inclusive.

By order of the Directors,

China Realty Company, Limited.

Secretaries & General Managers

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The Bukit Toh Alang Rubber Estates, Ltd.

The Directors have declared an interim dividend of 5%—equal to twenty-five Tael cents per share—on the Capital of the Company, payable on and after the 15th December, 1916, to shareholders on record on 15th instant.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 11th to the 15th December, 1916, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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Shanghai, 5th December, 1916.

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NOTICE is hereby given that a Meeting of the Shareholders of the above named Company will be held at 38, Canton Road, Shanghai, on the 15th day of December, 1916, at 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon, in accordance with the provisions of Section 187 of the Hongkong Companies Ordinance, 1911, when the Liquidator will lay before the Meeting an account of his acts and dealings and of the conduct of the winding up during the past year.

C. J. L. STEWART,

Liquidator.

Shanghai, the 7th day of December, 1916.

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Alma Estates, Limited

NOTICE is hereby given that the Seventh Annual General Meeting of shareholders of the above named Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 38 Canton Road, Shanghai, on Thursday, the 21st day of December, 1916, at 4.30 p.m. for presentation of the report of the Directors and Accounts to 30th September, 1916.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Friday 15th to Thursday, 21st December, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

HUGO REISS AND CO.

Secretaries & General Managers.

Shanghai, 9th December, 1916.

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Customs Notification.

No. 863.

During my temporary absence, Mr. J. H. W. Houstoun, Indoor Deputy Commissioner, will be in charge of the Shanghai Customs.

F. S. UNWIN,

Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House.

Shanghai, 9th December, 1916.

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British Press Hails Cabinet as Triumph

Recognised as Real National Government; Say Cromwell Has Been Outdone

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 11.—Official:—The Prime Minister is suffering from a severe chill and is remaining indoors today, under doctor's orders.

The War Cabinet met today. It will continue to meet every week-day in future.

Mr. Lloyd George has written to the members of the House of Commons: "The King entrusted me with the task of forming a Government. I have carried out His Majesty's demands and hoped to make a statement in the House on the 12th. This is now impossible. Mr. Bonar Law will move an adjournment until the 14th.

"The one predominant task of the Government is the vigorous prosecution of the war to a triumphant conclusion. I am confident that the Government can rely on your support, as long as they devote their energies effectively to that end."

Real National Government

"A national Government at last" is the key-note of the newspapers, which are unanimous in regarding Lloyd George's Ministry as a splendid experiment, even out-Cromwelling Cromwell. It is considered that Mr. Lloyd George has secured a considerable triumph in effecting the co-operation of such hostile elements as Mr. John Hodge and Lord Devonport.

It is frankly admitted that the new department has shivered the political traditions of generations into fragments, but the papers of all parties unite in giving a cordial welcome to the new Government, while intimating clearly that they await performances before giving final judgment.

The feature of comments is the complete obliteration of criticism on old party lines. The new Ministers are being supported in most unexpected quarters. The Laborites appear to be very satisfied at the way in which Mr. Lloyd George accepted their wishes. Lord Milner is regarded as a tower of strength.

Makes Use of Local Influence

It is pointed out that Mr. Lloyd George, in appointing some of his principal Ministers, must have regarded their powerful local industrial connections: for instance, those of Lord Rhondda in Wales, Sir Joseph Maclay in Glasgow, Mr. A. H. Illingworth in Yorkshire and Sir Frederick Cawley in Lancashire.

It is explained that the expedient of an Inner Cabinet, plus the War Council, has been found impracticable. It is presumed, however, that the heads of the great departments will be summoned to the Cabinet and convoked to discuss questions outside the war.

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4 German Aeroplanes Shot Down by French

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Paris, December 11.—The official communique issued this afternoon reported: There has been an intermittent cannonade south of the Somme. Two German aeroplanes were brought down in the vicinity of Verdun and two in the Champagne.

Our aeroplanes bombed the cantonments at Romagnes-sous-Les-Cotes and an ammunition-dump north of Verdun, where several fires and powerful explosions occurred.

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CHINESE GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS

TIENTSIN-PUKOW LINE

TIME TABLE

(Published by order of the Administration)

0000 — Midnight, 1330 — 130 p.m.

September 1st, 1916, and until further notice

Mail 101 B s.	Mail 3. B. s.	Luxe 1. B. S.	Miles	Peking-Mukden Line	Luxe 2. B. S.	Mail 4. B.	Mail 102. B. s.
2035	835	300	0	dep. Peking arr.	2230	1950	1020
2345	1112	635	. .	arr. Tientsin-Central dep.	1935	1700	720
2350	1117	640	84	dep. Tientsin-Central arr.	1930	1658	710
000	1125	650	. .	arr. Tientsin-East dep.	1920	1645	700
1910	520	2310	524	arr. Mukden dep.	2301	. .	1040

Local 5.	Mail 3. B. s.			Tientsin-Pukow Line		Mail 4. B. s.	Local 6.
715	1130	—	0	dep. Tientsin-East arr.	—	1705	1930
725	1110	—	2.71	arr. Tientsin-Central dep.	—	1655	1941
745	1200	—		dep. Tientsin-Central arr.	—	1631	1911
1133	1500	—	78	dep. Tsangchow dep.	—	1332	1508
1457	1746	—	148	dep. Techow dep.	—	1048	1138
1801	2021	—	—	arr. Tsinanfu dep.	—	806	845
7.	:	—	220	:	—	:	8.
810	2031	—	—	dep. Tsinanfu arr.	—	756	1813
1039	2231	—	266	dep. Taianfu dep.	—	601	1542
1300	038	—	318	arr. Yenchowfu dep.	—	349	1311
1315	048	—		dep. Yenchowfu arr.	—	339	1256
1558	316	—	377	dep. Lincheng dep.	—	120	1032
1816	450	—	—	arr. Hsuchowfu dep.	—	2336	810
9.	:	—	420	:	—	:	10.
630	457	—	—	dep. Hsuchowfu arr.	—	2329	2007
1156	833	—	523	arr. Pengpu dep.	—	1953	1442
1206	840	—		dep. Pengpu arr.	—	1946	1432
1657	1152	—	600	dep. Chuchow dep.	—	1648	928
1848	1300	—	631	arr. Pukow dep.	—	1530	728

Express 16. B. S.	Express 10. B.			Shanghai-Nanking Line		Express 1. B.	Express 15. B. S.
. .	1430	. .	0	dep. Nanking-Ferry arr.	. .	1410	. .
2300	1430	. .	. .	dep. Nanking arr.	. .	1415	650
700	2130	. .	193	arr. Shanghai-North dep.	. .	755	2300

Yenchowfu-Tsiningchow Branch Line						Lincheng-Tsochuang Branch Line					
930	1350	2130	d. Yenchowfu a.	630	1230	2000	530	1110	1800	d. Lincheng a.	810	1410	2100
1032	1455	2232	a. Tsiningchow d.	528	1125	1858	628	1219	1908	a. Tsochuang d.	708	1302	1958

The station for the foreign concessions in Tientsin is "TIENTSIN-EAST"

Conventional Signs.

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300 — on trains marked thus passengers must hold additional place tickets.

B — train has buffet car with regular meal service

S — train has sleep. accomm. 1st & 2nd class. s — train has only 1st class sleep. accomm.

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By Order.

THE TRAFFIC MANAGER.

Tientsin, September, 1916.

SHANGHAI-NANKING RAILWAY ABRIDGED TIME TABLE.

Shanghai North To Nanking—Up (Main Line) Nanking To Shanghai North—Down

STATIONS.	1 Express R	3 Local	5 Slow	7 Coolie Goods	9 Fast R	11 Local	13 N S G Local	15 Night Express R.S.	17 N S G Local
SHANGHAI NORTH ..dep.	7.55		8 20	9.00	12 50	15.20	8.40	23.00	17.15
Nansiang.. .. "			8.56	9.48	13.21	15.56	9.15	—	17.50
Kunshan .. "			9.55	11.04	14.07	16.51		—	
SOOCHOW { arr.	9.34		10.52	12.03	14 50	17.53		1.01	
SOOCHOW { dep.	9.41		11.02	12.13	14.57	18.13		1.08	
WUSIH .. { arr.	10.24		12.11	13.33	15.45	19.33		2.03	
WUSIH .. { dep.	10.31		12.21	13.43	15.52	19.41		2.10	
CHANGCHOW { arr.	11.13		13 30	14.51	16.38	20.45		3.00	
CHANGCHOW { dep.	11.22	6.50	13.42	15.01	16.47			3.10	
TANYANG .. { arr.	12.07	8.00	14.57	16.10	17.41			—	
TANYANG .. { dep.	12.09	8.03	14.59	16.14	17.43			—	
CHINKIANG { arr.	12.43	8.53	15.49	17.08	18.22			4.56	
CHINKIANG { dep.	12.52	8.59	15.57	17.18	18.32			5.06	
Nanking Ferry ..arr.	*14.10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
NANKING	14.15	10.55	17.50	19.25	20.05			6.50	..

STATIONS.	2 Local	4 Slow	6 Coolie Goods	8 Fast R	10 Express R	12 Local	14 N S G Local	16 Night Express R.S.	18 N S G Local
NANKING .. ..dep.		7.00	7.30	11.15	14.20	15 55		23.00	
Nanking Ferry ..dep.		—	—	—	*14.20	—		—	
CHINKIANG.. { arr.		8.57	9.42	12.50	15.51	18.05		0.46	
CHINKIANG.. { dep.		9.05	9.52	12.59	16.01	18.25		1.00	
TANYANG .. { arr.		9.55	10.43	13.38	16.36	19.16		—	
TANYANG .. { dep.		9. 7	10.51	13.49	16.38	19.19		—	
CHANGCHOW { arr.		11.04	12.11	14.42	17 26	20.30		2.53	
CHANGCHOW { dep.	6.20	11.14	12.23	14.52	17.36			3.06	
WUSIH .. { arr.	7.21	12.14	13.33	15.41	18.24			4.01	
WUSIH .. { dep.	7.31	12.22	13.46	15.53	18.31			4.11	
SOOCHOW .. { arr.	8.40	13.55	14.55	16.47	19 21			5.04	
SOOCHOW .. { dep.	8.46	14.5)	15.08	16.55	19.28			5.12	
Kunshan .. .. "	9.51	14.57	16.14	17.41	—			—	
Nansiang .. .. "	10.53	15.57	17.19	18.26	—		9.40	6.33	18 00
SHANGHAI NORTH .. arr.	11.25	16.30	17.55	18.55	21.20		10.15	7.00	18.35

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Woosung Forts to Shanghai North—Up (Branch Line) Shanghai North to Woosung Forts—Down

	31	33	35	37	39	41	43	45
WOOSUNG FORTS .....dep.	6.55	8 15	10.45	13.10	14.40	16.20	18.10	20.55
KIANGWAN	7. 2	8. 2	11.12	13.37	15.07	16 47	8.37	21.22
SHANGHAI NORTH ..... arr.	7. 0	8. 0	11.20	13.45	15.15	16 55	18.45	21 20

	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46
SHANGHAI NORTH ....dep.	6.15	7.35	10.05	12.15	14.00	15.20	17.25	20.00
KIANGWAN	6.26	7.46	10.16	12.26	14.11	15.41	17.36	20 11
WOOSUNG FORTS .....arr.	6.50	8.10	10 40	12.50	14 35	16.05	18.00	20.35

SHANGHAI-HANGCHOW-NINGPO RAILWAY

ABRIDGED TIME TABLE IN FORCE FROM THE 12th DECEMBER 1916

MAIN LINE.

SHANGHAI NORTH TO ZAH KOU—"DOWN" ZAH KOU TO SHANGHAI NORTH—"UP"

STATIONS	102 Local	104 Fast	106 Slow	108 Coolie & Goods	D Local	E Local	110 Express	112 Local	H Local	I Local
Shanghai North ..... dep.		7.35	8.55	10.05			14.00			
Jessfield ..... dep.		8.00	9.20	10.30			14.25			
Siccawei ..... dep.		8.11	9.31	10.41			14 36			
Lunghwa Junction .... dep.		8.28	9.48	11.00			14.52			
		A. 104	B. 106	C. 108	D	E	F. 110	G. 112	H	I
Shanghai South....dep.		*8.00*	*9.20*	*10.30*	*11.20*	*13.35*	*14.30*	*16.10*	*16.45*	*18.00*
Lunghwa Junction..dep.		*8.28*	*9.48*	*11.00*	*11.38*	*13.53*	*14.52*	*16.29*	*17.03*	*18.18*
Sungkiang { arr.		9.09	10.47	12.00			15.26	17,37		
Sungkiang { dep.		9.13	10.51	12.10			15 28	17.47		
Kashai ..... dep.		10.03	11 51	13.33			16.15	18.57		
Kashing { arr.		10 25	12 26	14.06			6 36	19.30		
Kashing { dep.	7.20	10.35	12 36	14.16			16 46			
Yeh Zah ..... dep.	8.08	11 14	13 20	15.15			17.21			
Chang An ..... dep.	9.00	11.49	14.04	16.10			17 55			
Hangchow ..... { arr.	10.26	12 43	15.16	17,37			18.42			
Hangchow ..... { dep.	10.38	12 53	15.26	17.47			18.54			
Zah Kou ..... arr.	11.00	13.09	15.45	18.15			19.10			

STATIONS	O Local	P Local	101 Local	R Local	103 Fast	105 Slow	U Local	107 Coolie and Goods	109 Express	111 Local
Zah Kou..... dep.					6 45	8.10		8 55	14 15	16.00
Hangchow..... { arr.					7.05	8 30		9.23	14.30	16.24
Hangchow..... { dep.					7.15	8.40		9 33	14.40	16.35
Chang An..... dep.					8.16	9 56		11.03	15.26	17.57
Yeh Zah..... dep.					8 52	10.40		12 30	15.57	18.50
Kashing ..... { arr.					9 30	11.22		13 36	16.28	19.40
Kashing ..... { dep.			7.25		9 40	11.30		14.07	16.38	
Kashai ..... dep.			8.0(		10.05	12.00		14 47	17.01	
Sungkiang ..... { arr.			9.08		10 54	12.59		16.08	17.46	
Sungkiang ..... { dep.			9.18		10.57	13 03		16.13	17.49	
	O	P	Q. 101	R	S. 103	T. 105	U	V. 107	W. 109	
Lunghwa Junction..dep	*8.35*	*9.55*	*10.37*	*10.55*	*11.48*	*14.05*	*14.55*	*17.22*	*18.33*	
Shanghai South....arr.	*8.53*	*10.13*	*10.55*	*11.13*	*12.05*	*14.23*	*15.13*	*17.40*	*18.50*	
Lungh a Junction.... dep.					11.44	14.03		17.19	18.29	
Siccawei ..... dep.					11 56	14.15		17.31	18 41	
Jessfield ..... dep.					12.07	14 27		17.42	18.52	
Shanghai North .... arr.					12.30	14 50		18.05	19.15	

KIANGSU BRANCH LINE

KON ZEN CHIAO TO ZAH KOU ZAH KOU TO KON ZEN CHIAO

STATIONS	122	124	126	128	130	132
Kon Zen Chiao.. dep.	7.05	8.30	11.05	14.05	16.05	18.15
Ken Shang Mun. { arr.	7.18	8.43	11.18	14.18	16.18	18.28
Ken Shang Mun. { dep.	7.25	8.50	11.20	14.21	16.20	18.29
Hangchow..... { arr.	7.35	9.00	11.30	14.31	16.30	18.37
Hangchow..... { dep.		9.05	11.35		16.37	
Zah Kou..... arr.		9.25	11.55		17.00	

STATIONS	121	123	125	127	129	131
Zah Kou..... dep		9.40	12.20		17.15	
Hangchow..... { arr.		10.00	12.40		17.35	
Hangchow..... { dep.	7.45	10.05	12.50	14.55	17.40	18 50
Ken Shang Mun. { arr.	7.55	10.15	13.00	15.05	17.50	19 00
Ken Shang Mun. { dep.	8.00	10.23	13.05	15.10	17.52	19.02
Kon Zen Chiao.. arr.	8.13	10.35	13.18	15.23	18.05	19.15

Auctions

Business and Official Notices

Classified Advertisements

2 cents a Word (Minimum Charge 40 cents)

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R. W. HEIDORN & CO.,

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will sell at their offices,
No. 34 Canton Road,
on
Friday, the 15th inst.,
commencing at 10 a.m.,

EXCELLENT SURPLUS OFFICE FURNITURE

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To-day, the 13th of Dec.
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At 12 o'clock sharp will be sold
2 Victorias.
1 Brougham with rubber tyres.

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Announcement

THE Astor House Hotel announce the special engagement of Ambrose and Peggy Barker from December 12th to 15th inc. These artists will entertain each afternoon from 5 to 6.30 p.m. in connection with Prof. Papini's Afternoon Tea Concert.

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—BILL SMITH—

Bill Smith, though bald, was a very decent sort,
Grown healthy and happy from the use of Hunt's Port.
In the evenings he counted the hairs on his head.
Till he wakened one morning with but one left, 'tis said.

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Ask Bill

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Royal Asiatic Society

NORTH CHINA BRANCH.

A MEETING of the Society will be held in the Lecture Hall, 5 Museum Road, on Thursday, December 14th, at 5.30 p.m., when a Lecture will be given by
Dr. HERBERT CHATLEY,
on
"Magical Practice in China."
The meeting is open to the public.
ISAAC MASON,
Hon. Secretary.

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THE Baby Home and Home for Foreign Children, 60 Sinza Road, is prepared to take in a few children who wish to attend schools in Shanghai. Please apply to Mrs. G. M. Wheelock, 16 Connaught Road.

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Summer in Chefoo—one of the finest Sea-Side Resorts in Northern China.

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CHEFOO.

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Do you wish to buy beautiful things for
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The Embroidery and Lace Depot
are prepared to allow
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THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS,
Department of Commerce and Police
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS,
Manila, P. I.

NOTICE
of
Sale of Motor Transportation Equipment

Sealed bids plainly marked "Bids for purchase of P. I. Motor Transportation Equipment," will be received at the Office of the undersigned and at the Office of the American Consul General at Hongkong, Shanghai and Singapore, until December 30, 1916, for the purchase, subject to prior sale, of the following units of motor transportation equipment owned by the Government of the Philippine Islands, to wit:—

No.	Articles (Yorkshire Patent)	Manufacturer's rated capacity.	Unit Cost Price delivered at Manila in 1913.	Total Cost Price delivered at Manila.	Location (Where may be inspected)
6	Steam Wagons	3 ton	P7,773.87	P46,643.22	Manila, P. I.
3	Trailer ,,	2 ton	1,135.96	3,407.88	Manila, P. I.
1	Steam Wagon	3 ton	7,773.87	7,773.87	Iloilo, P. I.
1	Trailer Wagon	2 ton	1,135.96	1,135.96	Iloilo, P. I
1	Steam Wagon	3 ton	7,773.87	7,773.87	Baguio, P. I.

The above motor transportation equipment was manufactured by the Yorkshire Patent Steam Wagon Co. (The Yorkshire Commercial Motor Co.), Leeds, England, under what is known as the "Yorkshire Patents," and was purchased new from the manufacturer by the Government of the Philippine Islands in 1913.

All of the equipment is in good serviceable condition and the six steam wagons and three trailer wagons in Manila have had but little use in the past 18 months and have recently been repaired and overhauled in the Government Machine shops and are in first class condition.

The equipment is not constructed so as to conform to the requirements of the motor vehicle Law of the Philippine Islands and a condition of the sale will be, that said equipment will not be used upon the public highways of the Philippine Islands.

Bids will be received for the purchase of all or any part of the above described equipment. The terms of the sale will be cash upon delivery at Manila. All bids must be accompanied by a draft or certified check payable to the "Treasurer of the Philippine Islands," for 10% of the amount of any bid as a guarantee that delivery of said equipment will be received at Manila, and payment made therefor, within sixty days after notice is received of the acceptance of any bid.

To facilitate the dispatch of notice of acceptance or rejection of any bid, all bidders residing outside of the Philippine Islands should give the name and address of a representative in the Philippine Islands to whom notice may be given.

All certified checks or drafts of unsuccessful bidders will be returned with notice of the rejection of their bid.

The right is reserved to sell privately at any time, all or any part of the above equipment, or to reject any or all bids received, or to accept such bid or bids as in the opinion of the undersigned are most advantageous to the Government of the Philippine Islands.

Proposal forms may be had upon request to the Offices above named.

E. J. WESTERHOUSE,
Director of Public Works.
Manila, P. I.

The Shanghai Mutual Telephone Company, Limited

NOTICE

THE Operators have received instructions to cease answering calls with the words "Central Office," and will in the future answer by the words "Number please."

By order of The Board of Directors,
GUSTAF L. OBERG,
Secretary & General Manager.

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B. ROTH & CO.

Coal Merchants
21 Nanking Rd. Tel. No. 4751

Prices from Dec. 1st, 1916

	per ton
Hongay Coal (Lump)	$24.00
Hankow Coal (Nuts)	23.00
Shansi Coal (Nuts)	24.00
Japan Coal (No. 1)	16.00
Japan Coal (No. 2)	15.00
Japan Coal (No. 3)	14.00
Coke	16.00
Charcoal, 2 Baskets	1.20
Firewood, 50 Bundles	1.00

Orders promptly executed.

The Best Shooting

near Shanghai is to be obtained at
HANGCHOW.
Pay a visit to the
NEW HOTEL; HANGCHOW
館旅新新湖西州杭
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and we will send a man to show you the best shooting grounds.
A good bag guaranteed.
Moderate rates
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A FEW OF THE SPECIAL FEATURES.

1.—Monthly drawings which give the bondholders an opportunity to draw amounts varying from $12 to $2,000.

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The Society has now issued over 3,000 Premium Bonds of Two Thousand Dollars denomination.

Therefore on December 15, 1916 and onwards a full Bond, i.e., $2,000, will be redeemed.

AUDIT.

3.—A Continuous Daily Audit of the accounts of the Society is conducted by Mr. S. A. Seth, Chartered Secretary and Public Accountant.

Statements and Accounts are open to inspection at any time on application to the Auditor.

NOTICE

I have this day established a branch of my business of Share and Estate Broker in Shanghai, with offices at No. 79 Rue du Consulat. Telephone No. 741.

FRANK W. WHITE,
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SITUATION VACANT

WANTED, a lady to teach English in the afternoon to Chinese boys. Apply by letter to The Headmaster, Medhurst College."

12019 D 14

APARTMENTS

WINDSOR HOUSE
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Front room, with bathroom and verandah attached, to let.
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10070

TO LET

CENTRAL. Large and small rooms: bathrooms attached, Quiet comfort. Excellent cooking, very moderate terms. Apply to Box 368, THE CHINA PRESS.

11282

MELBOURNE HOUSE, to let, furnished front room with small room, bathroom, balcony, with board. Suitable married couple or bachelors. Terms moderate. 12a Quinsan Gardens, Shanghai.

12026 D 14

WESTERN DISTRICT. To let at 61 Carter Road, comfortably furnished, good-sized backroom, bathroom attached, Garden, telephone, tram station. Excellent table. Terms very moderate.

11868

TO LET, well-furnished rooms, with bathrooms attached, with or without board. Reasonable terms. Apply to 78, Bubbling Well Road.

11824 D 14

TRANSLATIONS

TRANSLATOR, who has considerable experience in legal, consulate, syndicate, journalistic, commercial and official translation work, undertakes translation in English and Chinese of agreements, petitions, letters, legal documents, advertisements, and commercial documents, etc. Please apply to Chang Nieh-yun, c/o 1-a Peking Road, or P.D., 159 Haining Road, opposite West End Lane.

HOUSES TO LET

TO LET at once, No. 45 Broadway Terrace. Apply to No. 10 Yangtszepoo Road.

12034 D 19

18 RUE CORNEILLE, near French Park, five large rooms, kitchen and bathrooms perfect, tennis, from December 20th. Raven Trust. Tel. 60.

12036

TO LET, No. 448 Avenue Joffre, 9-roomed house, situated North-West corner of Avenue Joffre and Route des Soeurs. Apply to China Realty Co., Ltd.

11839 T. F.

OFFICES, ETC., TO LET

TO LET; office suitable for broker or lawyer, cheap rent. No. 8 Museum Road. Apply to Chiffre.

11939 D 15

SITUATIONS WANTED

POSITION WANTED, expert stenographer, five years' experience. At present reporter for Public Utility Commission, Philippine Islands. Services available January first. Address Chas. Kline, Y. M. C. A., Manila.

12020 D 15

WANTED: stenography and typing to do evenings, Saturday afternoons or Sundays, by competent American woman. Apply to Box 244, THE CHINA PRESS.

11949 D 16

EDUCATIONAL

YOUNG German gentleman wants lessons in guitar. Apply to Box 254, THE CHINA PRESS.

12027 D 14

LADY teacher will give lessons to beginners in piano and music. Apply to 13 Fearon Road.

12030 D 15

EXPERIENCED Mandarin teacher open for immediate engagement. Apply to Box 252, THE CHINA PRESS.

12016 D 14

Exchange and Mart

WANTED, two second-hand Vollers' codes, 12 fig. system. Apply to Box 259, THE CHINA PRESS.

12039 D 15

FOR SALE, one teak-wood counter, with brass rail, 16 ft. long. Apply to Box 260, THE CHINA PRESS.

12041 D 15

FOR SALE, one Underwood typewriter, two Rex typewriters, and one Yost typewriter. For price, apply to Box 261, THE CHINA PRESS.

12042 D 15

FOR SALE S. L. "Puan." Wooden launch of the following dimensions; 72' long, 14' beam, 4' draft, suitable for canal or river work. Twin screw, compound engines, in good repair. Brass propellers. Speed 9 knots per hour. Low consumption. Now lying at the New Engineering Co.'s premises at Yangtszepoo. Further particulars can be obtained from the Inspector of the Salt Revenue, 11 Markham Road, Shanghai.

12043 D 15

MOTOR-CAR (Ford), second-hand, in good condition, for sale. Apply to Box 253, THE CHINA PRESS.

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FOR SALE, one Fox, hammerless, double-barrel shot-gun, 30" barrels, 12 gauge. Only used twice. First $80 takes it. Apply to Box 255, THE CHINA PRESS.

12032 D 15

FOR SALE, Victor Victrola, with cabinet, as new, sixty double-sided records, not scratched, used only a short time. Bargain $135, the lot complete. Apply to Box 256, THE CHINA PRESS.

12033 D 13

WANTED, Gasoline boat-motor, 8 to 10 h.p., with full outfit. Apply, with full particulars, to Box 257, THE CHINA PRESS.

12035 D 17

FOR SALE, one brand-new, 20-gauge sporting gun (weight 5¼ lbs.), 28-inch barrels, left full-choke, right ¼-choke, price $75. Apply to Box 258, THE CHINA PRESS.

12037 D 14

FOR SALE, ermine shawl, stole and muff. Reasonable. Apply to Box 251, THE CHINA PRESS.

12000 D 16

FOR SALE, a good sporting-dog. Trial accepted. Apply to Box 240, THE CHINA PRESS.

11944 D 13

WANTED, a small but choice collection of Gramaphone Records, Victor for preference. Apply to Box 148, THE CHINA PRESS.

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